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GREAT RAIDS HERALD THE SPRING OFFENSIVE

Yugoslavia Firm

Passage For Nazi Troops Refused

INCREASING CONFUSION in the situation between Yugoslavia and Germany is reflected in diplomatic messages reaching Zurich from Belgrade yesterday.

The Yugoslav Foreign Minister, M. Narowitsch, has postponed his visit to Berlin until next week.

It is understood in well-informed quarters that Germany will insist that the Yugoslav Prime Minister, M. Zvetovitch, must also be present at the signing of the pact of friendship between the Reich and Yugoslavia.

It is known he is not eager to make another journey to Germany and it is suggested that this is the reason for postponement of the meeting.

DIPLOMATS' CONFIRM REPORTS OF YUGOSLAVIA'S FIRM ATTITUDE IN THE NEGOTIATIONS WITH GERMANY.

Military Preparations

An example is Belgrade's continuation of its military preparations, in spite of strong German objections to the further calling up of reservists.

Yugoslav diplomatic quarters in Zurich state that the High Command in Belgrade continues to be made up of the situation, rejecting in toto any proposals involving the Yugoslav army or tending to diminish its striking force.

EQUAL OPPOSITION, IT IS STATED, IS BEING MADE TO

TURKEY'S ATTITUDE

Turkey's attitude towards Yugoslavia was outlined in a broadcast from Ankara yesterday by the political editor of the semi-official newspaper "Ulus."

If Yugoslavia resisted a German attack (which would probably come from Bulgaria), he said, Turkey would effectively aid Greece and Yugoslavia.

If Yugoslavia joined up with the Axis, Turkey would have no obligations to fulfil to Yugoslavia.

CZECH PREMIER IN TOILS

THE CZECH PREMIER, M. ELIAS, HAS BEEN REFUSED PERMISSION TO RESIGN BY THE GERMAN AUTHORITIES IN THE PROTECTORATE. IT IS RELIABLY LEARNED IN ANKARA.

M. Elias, a former Czech legionary, desired to resign following the measures adopted by the Germans against the Czech legionaries but the German authorities refused to permit Dr. Hacha to accept the resignation. — Reuter.

DEFENDERS OF THRACE

King George of Greece yesterday sent a message of greeting to the troops who are guarding Thrace.

Another message was issued by the new Governor of Thrace, who has been touring the frontier districts.

The Governor declared: "We all should be proud of the soldiers who, like granite rocks, are mounting guard on the frontier. Their morale is high and their spirit admirable."

JUST WEATHER



One of the first pictures to be permitted to be released abroad giving an indication of weather conditions in Britain. It has been one of the coldest winters experienced in recent years and on one occasion trains were snowed up for 72 hours. This picture, taken at a brighter moment, shows evacuees in the Lake District. — (Copyright, Fox.)

BULGARIAN TRAIN CRASHES INTO RAVINE

Ten were killed and 30 injured when a train near Oporitsa station, in Bulgaria, fell into a ravine when crossing a bridge, according to a Sofia despatch to the Vichy news agency yesterday.

Cause of the disaster is unknown. — Reuter.

ACE PILOT WINS BAR

THE DESTRUCTION OF 23 ENEMY PLANES — HIGHEST TOTAL OFFICIALLY CREDITED TO AN INDIVIDUAL PILOT — HAS BEEN REWARDED BY THE ADDITION OF A BAR TO THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS.

This award was announced in the latest list of decorations in London, yesterday, and is made to a South African, Flight-Lt. Marmaduke "Pittie," who is described in the official citation as a "courageous and skilful pilot."

Reuter.

BRITISH TROOPS POURING INTO GREECE

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

WHILE NO OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT HAS YET COME FROM THE BRITISH SIDE, THE NATIONAL BROADCASTING COMPANY'S COMMENTATOR IN ANKARA YESTERDAY DECLARED THAT BRITISH TROOPS CONTINUE TO POUR INTO ATHENS AND SALONIKA.

The commentator said these troop movements coincided with the arrival of large quantities of war materials in Greece, presumably from Egypt.

He also declared that Admiral Cunningham, Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean Fleet, is at present conferring with

Greek army and navy officials.

IT IS BELIEVED, THE COMMENTATOR CONCLUDED, THAT AN ENTIRELY NEW BRITISH ARMY IS BEING FORMED IN GREECE. — INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE.

BOMBARDMENT OF GENOA REVEALS

THE ENORMOUS DAMAGE SUFFERED IN GENOA AS A RESULT OF THE BRITISH NAVAL BOMBARDMENT LAST MONTH, IS REVEALED IN A VIVID DESPATCH FROM AN AMERICAN CORRESPONDENT TO THE NEW YORK "DAILY NEWS."

"His report, which managed to get through the strict censorship, says that warehouses in the port burnt like matchwood when they were set on fire by the British guns."

An important oil refinery was destroyed and five out of seven oil tanks in the port were destroyed.

A long stretch of houses along the waterfront was levelled while the coal port was smashed.

Four ships were sunk and 18 were damaged and listing badly.

Barricades Stormed

The inhabitants of Genoa, who were kept in ignorance of the damage for two days, stormed the barricades roping off the damaged parts of the city.

Hundreds were clubbed by the Fascist police trying to prevent them from seeing the results of the British action.

The naval commander of the port was arrested for allowing himself to be surprised by the British attack. — Reuter.

Shanghai Bridge Incident

Shanghai Volunteer Corps officers and the Japanese naval authorities are investigating the alleged stabbing of a Japanese civilian, F. Noguchi, employed by the Chinese Maritime Customs.

Noguchi is alleged to have been stabbed by a member of the American Company, S.V.C., on duty on Friday night on Garden Bridge, leading to the Japanese-occupied part of the Settlement.

The American volunteer, however, was not detained yesterday.

Noguchi, who is understood to be slightly wounded, is said to have refused to obey the sentry. A slight altercation followed, in

PANAMA JUNGLE RIDDLE

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

The authorities in Panama City have discovered a large colony of Germans, mostly Nazis, settled down near Boquete, deep in the Panama jungles and not far from the Canal Zone.

This revelation, from Washington, is accompanied by the information that the United States intelligence units are keeping a close watch on their activities.

Most of the colonists are living in the guise of agriculturalists and it is unofficially reported that they number about 250.

America's interest in the Colony is increased by evidence that the colony has been growing steadily since the outbreak of the war.

It is understood that the commanding executive of the colony makes its headquarters in the nearby city of David which is on the Pan-American Airways service line.

It is further stated that it is known in Panama that Nazi agents make frequent trips to Boquete. — International News Service.

A.R.P. PRACTICE IN HUNGARY

The Hungarian Defence Minister has ordered anti-aircraft and A.R.P. practice throughout western Hungary, it was stated in Budapest yesterday.

The course of which the Japanese was slightly cut. — It is learned that the incident is regarded as a minor affair. — Reuter.

Reduced To Nuisance

Pursued by R.A.F. fighters and harassed by A.A. defences, raiding planes over Britain during Friday night appear to have been more of a nuisance than destructive.

Although raids were reported over many districts, often for a number of hours, actual bombing was restricted.

A number of incendiary and high explosive bombs were dropped on London but the heaviest attack was reserved for a south-west coast town, where raiders, flying in pairs, encountered the heaviest barrage yet put up in that district.

Activity was also reported from the south-east coast, the West of England, a north-west town and south-west Scotland. — Reuter.

BARRAGE EFFICIENCY

The War Office, in an announcement yesterday, declared that Britain's anti-aircraft defences are greatly increased in efficiency.

Pointing out that Friday night's barrage was the heaviest yet, the War Office says that A.A. guns have destroyed at least 17 German bombers this month and damaged several others.

The accuracy and weight of our anti-aircraft fire has contributed to the largely ineffective Nazi bombing.

JAPAN EXTENDING BLOCKADE

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

An extension of the Japanese blockade of the China coast, effective from 11 o'clock to-night, was announced yesterday.

The new area to be blockaded is the Straits of Haitan, south-east of Fochow. — International News Service.

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

LONDON SATURDAY.

IN RAIDS SWELLING NIGHTLY IN MAGNITUDE AND VIOLENCE BRITAIN IS STRIKING THE HEAVIEST BLOWS IN WHAT IS BECOMING INCREASINGLY REGARDED AS THE OPENING OF THE PRELIMINARY PHASES OF THE SPRING OFFENSIVE PROGRAMME.

The German Air Force is hitting back at Britain, and London, Merseyside and the Glasgow regions have been attacked, while raids have been widespread over the South of England.

All the available evidence, however, suggests that British defence against German raiders is achieving vastly more encouraging results than the German defence against the blitzkrieg assaults of the Royal Air Force.

Twenty-five night raiders were, for instance, brought down in the two nights, Wednesday/Thursday and Thursday/Friday and Friday evening reports were coming in of more German machines brought down in a night raid of widespread character which developed at dusk.

Two of these came crashing down near London.

London appeared to be getting the brunt of the attack in the South of England on Friday night.

The raiders came over in a swarm and were apparently spreading out to many points.

Hamburg Havoc

The German raid followed shortly on revelations of the destruction wrought by the Royal Air Force over Hamburg on Thursday night.

The large industrial area of Hamburg was virtually blotted out.

The damage inflicted far exceeded that inflicted in the Luftwaffe's attack upon Glasgow.

The German High Command has admitted extensive damage in the R.A.F. raid on Hamburg on Thursday.

More detailed reports state that the violence of the raid went far beyond anything previous in Hamburg's experience.

BOTH SIDES OF THE RIVER ELBE WERE LEFT IN BLAZING RUINS WITH COLUMNS OF SMOKE RISING TO THOUSANDS OF FEET INTO THE AIR.

Fires Still Raging

It is indicated that some of Britain's biggest and most modern cities are still burning.

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NAZI VERSION OF RADIO

An attack on Glasgow, Sheffield, Tilbury Docks, Plymouth, Southampton and Leeds was mentioned in yesterday's German High Command communiqué, which states that heavy calibre bombs were used and large fires caused.

THE SINKING OF TWO MERCHANT SHIPS AND THE DAMAGING OF A THIRD IN CONVOY OFF THE EAST COAST IS ALSO CLAIMED.

Concerning the R.A.F.'s attacks on western Germany on Friday night, the communiqué says that "weak" enemy forces dropped high explosive bombs on various places, doing slight damage to industrial plants. — Reuter.

SAYS GERMAN STORY FROM SOFIA!

AN OFFICIAL OF THE TURKISH FOREIGN OFFICE HAS ARRIVED IN SOFIA, ACCORDING TO A SOFIA DESPATCH TO THE OFFICIAL GERMAN NEWS AGENCY YESTERDAY.

The agency asserts that the official is reported to be carrying a written message from the Turkish President to Hitler (presumably in reply to the latter's recent message to Turkey). — Reuter.

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THE GOVERNOR ON CONDITIONS IN BRITAIN

H.E. SIR GEOFFRY NORTHCOTE, who is to broadcast to the Colony to-night on his impressions of embattled Britain, granted an interview to press representatives yesterday, in the course of which he emphasised that no-one in Britain entertained the least doubt of the ultimate result of the conflict.

Sir Geoffry, who has been on leave for ten months, took more than two months on the journey back to Hong Kong, following the "air mail-route"—forty days between the British Isles and Cape Town, ten days flying between Durban and Singapore, with stopovers at several points, and several days by coastal steamer from Singapore to Hong Kong.

His Excellency spoke with keen enthusiasm of the spirit in which the British air campaign is being met and said that the country was growing in confidence every day. No-one doubted for a moment that we would smash any invasion attempt, or that we would defeat the campaign against our shipping.

Speaking on rationing problems, Sir Geoffry said that the system was strict, but everybody had enough to eat. Obviously, there was not the wide choice of peace time and it was difficult to get such things as onions, but the main thing was that the menu obtainable was ample for anybody.

Somewhat guarded in his references to the Far East, His Excellency nevertheless expressed the view that the tension had eased somewhat in the last three or four weeks.

Asked if he had brought anything back to Hong Kong "for purely local consumption," and referred to the new constitution announced in Jamaica, His Excellency replied in the negative, adding: "They probably need it there; fortunately, we don't."

MATSUOKA IN HSINKING

The Japanese Foreign Minister, Mr. Matsuoka, arrived by plane at Hsinking (Manchukuo) at 2.50 yesterday afternoon on his way to Berlin.

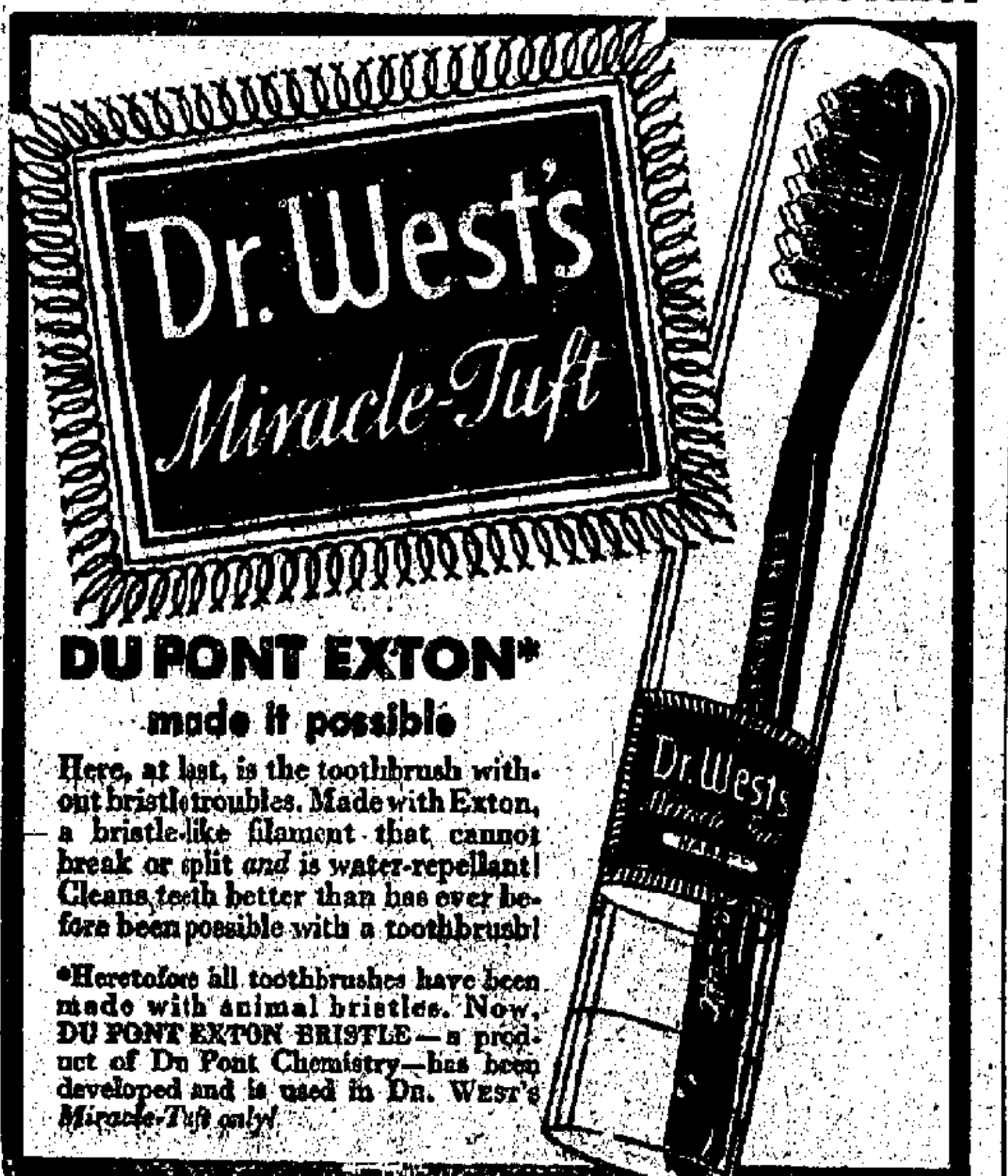
Mr. Matsuoka was greeted at the airport by officials of the Manchukuo Government, the Japanese Ambassador and the German and Italian Ministers.

Looking weary after the flight from Tokyo, Mr. Matsuoka received a throng of newspapermen, roughly reiterating his statement to the press before he left Tokyo.

Meanwhile, the "Manchuria Daily News" and all vernacular papers are giving great prominence to his visit.

Mr. Matsuoka was scheduled to leave for Berlin last night—Reuters.

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NEW BEAU FIGHTER IN THICK OF NIGHT RAIDS



As well as wearing an identity disc on her wrist, this Highbury resident wears a larger one on her leg to take the place of a garter. She is certainly taking no chances.—(Copyright, Fox.)

SKIPPER'S TRIBUTE TO R.A.F.

Testimony to the untiring work of the Sunderland flyingboats on convoy duties is provided in a letter received by the naval control officer at a West Coast port and passed by him to a Sunderland flyingboat squadron of the R.A.F.

"Sir, as a ship's Master I wish to express appreciation of the wonderful work being done by the Coastal Command of the R.A.F., especially the crews of the Sunderland flyingboats.

On arriving at (blank) from overseas I had another chance of seeing the R.A.F. at work day and night, and to marvel at the skill they display in locating convoys hundreds of miles from the coast.

The first flyingboat to appear on this recent occasion found the convoy in the early hours of the morning while it was quite dark, and we still had as exact the pleasant company of a Sunderland at midnight the same day.

I know it must be very monotonous at times to the men of the R.A.F. Coastal Command being on patrol duty, but I would like them to know what a thrill it is to us seamen—I know I speak for all—to see them around us and what confidence it gives us.

I would also say we enjoy their company after trudging along a slow speed for 20 days or more. It heartens us and is also a break in our monotony.—British Wireless.

K. M. MUNSHI GIVEN FREEDOM

K. M. Munshi, Home Minister in the late Congress Government in Poona, was released from gaol yesterday on grounds of health before completion of his sentence for satyagraha (civil disobedience).—Reuters.

DRAMATIC MOVE BY WEYGAND

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD") A dramatic step has been taken by General Weygand in Algiers which shatters French tradition in the handling of politics in the North African Empire, according to an Algerian cable from Samuel Dashiell, the International News Service correspondent there.

General Weygand has appointed Mouken representatives to the Executive Council.

THIS MOVE, WHICH WAS OBVIOUSLY DECIDED UPON DURING GENERAL WEYGAND'S VISIT TO VICHY, MAY PROFOUNDLY AFFECT THE FUTURE OF THE WAR, EVENTUALLY.

Its precise significance cannot at this stage be detected. It is important to note that Moslems have never before been given any sort of franchise by the French, and the gesture is clearly an important one, designed to ensure French colonial solidarity.—International News Service.

ROOSEVELT TO DEFINE PLANS

President Roosevelt, in a world broadcast last night, was expected in Washington to state that he has no intention of weakening the United States fleet by aiding Great Britain.

The belief was expressed that President Roosevelt would make a "definite statement" on the subject of releasing warships and would give an assurance that any ships transferred will be replaced by power types.

A call for further speeding up of production of ships was also predicted.—Reuters.

Official Secret

When Colonel Sumson, U.S. Secretary of War, told journalists yesterday that some war materials were already on their way to Britain under the Lease-Lend Act, he declined to give any details stating that it would be unfair to the British Government.—Reuters.

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD") Children of 12 and over are to be drafted for agricultural labour, according to a decree issued by the Rumanian Agriculture Ministry yesterday.

Henceforth production will be regulated by the Government. It was added.—International News Service.

3,000 Homeless in Seville Disaster

Cause of the explosion at Santa Barbara powder magazine, in Seville, on Friday was due to the fall of a case containing explosives which was being loaded for shipment, according to a despatch received in Rome yesterday by the official Italian news agency.

Most of those killed and injured in the explosion were women and children, as the menfolk were away at work. It is estimated that 3,000 are homeless.—Reuters.

U.S. TO PLAY VITAL ROLE IN WAR'S NEW PHASE

THAT THE WAR has entered a new phase, in which the United States is destined to play a vital role, is the view generally expressed in the newspapers and by radio commentators in New York.

The "Battle of the Full Moon" over Britain is interpreted as the struggle for air supremacy in a new form.

Stress is laid on the Luftwaffe's effort to exert a counter-bombardment on British ports at which the Germans expect United States supplies to be unloaded.

The surprising admissions from German quarters of the R.A.F. damage to Germany, and the editorial articles reflecting the increasing consciousness of American responsibility for keeping the Atlantic sea lanes open.

Milo Warner, National Commander of the American Legion, who has just returned from a visit to Britain, expresses the most advanced view, that the United States should organise convoys.

IT MUST BE STRESSED, HOWEVER, THAT THIS IS IN ADVANCE OF PUBLIC OPINION AS A WHOLE.—REUTERS.

SYRIA DISORDER

RECENT REPORTS OF DISTURBANCES IN SYRIA ARE CONFIRMED IN A DESPATCH FROM THE OFFICIAL VICHY NEWS AGENCY'S BEIRUT CORRESPONDENT.

The correspondent says demonstrations have occurred at Damascus since February 28 on the pretext of a slight increase in the price of bread, but all reports of bloody encounters in Syrian and Lebanese towns, between the people and troops and police are without foundation.—Reuters.

Another Brilliant Success

THE R.A.F.'S NEW BEAU FIGHTER, WHICH SPRANG INTO FAME AT THE BEGINNING OF THE "BATTLE OF THE FULL MOON," SCORED A FURTHER BRILLIANT SUCCESS WHEN THE LUFTWAFFE WAS AGAIN DISCOMFITED ON FRIDAY NIGHT.

Four raiders were destroyed, of which Beau fighters accounted for three and anti-aircraft fire one. At least two of the destroyed raiders crashed into the sea.

The total losses of the Luftwaffe during the last four moonlight nights is thus brought up to 34.

As reports of Friday night's activities are received, many examples of individual dash and heroism on the part of R.A.F. pilots are revealed.

One pilot who shot down a raider two nights ago repeated the performance.

He caught a Junkers 88 bomber, which dived 5,000 feet in an attempt to escape. The raider, however, crashed on the ground.

Another Heinkel, intercepted off the East Coast, was crippled to such an extent that instead of continuing its ignominious retreat towards Germany it turned in an attempt to regain the British shore.

Over Aerodromes

THIRTY MILES FROM THE LAND ONE OF ITS CREW BAILED OUT WHILE WITH HEIGHT RAPIDLY DIMINISHING. THE LUFTWAFFE CRAFT MADE ITS WAY BACK TOWARDS BRITAIN.

It crashed in the sea just off the land.

Two British pilots flew over an enemy aerodrome in France during the night.

Bombers were on the ground but the R.A.F. pilots braved a heavy anti-aircraft barrage, came down low and destroyed two searchlights, damaged anti-aircraft guns and set at least one enemy bomber on fire.—Reuters.

Little Daylight Activity

An Air Ministry and Ministry of Home Security communique states: "Very few enemy aircraft came overland during daylight on Friday and there are no reports of bombing from any area."

An enemy bomber was intercepted by our fighters and shot down off the Welsh coast in the morning.—British Wireless.

13 Shot Down

An Air Ministry communique states: "It is now certain that 13 enemy bombers were destroyed in Thursday night's attacks on this country."

These results were obtained in conditions exceptionally favourable for interception.

No less than 11 of the enemy fell to our fighters. One was shot down by anti-aircraft gunfire and one was destroyed by other means.—British Wireless.

MR. FORREST MUCH IMPROVED

THE CONDITION OF MR. R. A. D. FORREST, IMMIGRATION OFFICER, WAS DESCRIBED YESTERDAY AS "MUCH IMPROVED" AND HE IS EXPECTED TO BE OUT OF THE QUEEN MARY HOSPITAL WITHIN A WEEK.

Mr. K. M. A. Barnett, Secretary to the Immigration Office Inquiry Commission, stated yesterday that no date has yet been fixed for the resumption of the inquiry which had to be postponed owing to the illness of Mr. Forrest.

AIR MINISTRY COMMUNIQUE

AN AIR MINISTRY communique states: "In the clear light of a full moon the Bomber Command on Thursday night delivered the most severe attack to which objectives in Hamburg have yet been subjected."

Heavy bombs well on the shipbuilding yards, which had received special attention the night before, and on docks and warehouses, where many large fires broke out.

Other targets near the mouth of the Elbe were left burning fiercely.

Aircraft of the same Command attacked oil storage plants at Rotterdam, causing huge fires.

Minor attacks were also made on Bremen and Emden, and single aircraft bombed two aerodromes in Holland.

Aircraft of the Coastal Command carried out many flights both on Thursday and Friday night.

About midday a direct hit was obtained on the stern of an enemy supply ship off the Norwegian coast and others were machine-gunned.

On Thursday night an aircraft of the Coastal Command torpedoed and sank a supply ship off the Frisian Islands.

AMERICAN PEOPLE MEAN BUSINESS

Mr. Harriman, President Roosevelt's personal representative, who will co-ordinate the Aid To Britain programme, arrived in Bristol by air from New York yesterday.

His message to newspapermen was: "The American people certainly mean business."

Freedom For Rebels

After dragging on for eight years, Japan's famous "god-sent troops" case ended in the Tokyo Supreme Court yesterday morning, when Judge Yosaburo Uno granted the 44 accused remission of their sentences.

THIS DECISION IN JAPAN'S FIRST TRIAL FOR ATTEMPTED REBELLION IS SAID TO DIFFER LEGALLY FROM ACQUITTAL BUT NEVERTHELESS SETS THE DEFENDANTS AT LIBERTY.

According to legal experts the action signifies that the courts will refrain from exacting sentence. It took exactly 110 hearings to dispose of the case.—Reuters.

CHINESE REQUIRE PASSPORTS

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD") Hereafter Chinese proceeding to Japan will require passports visaed by the Japanese consular authorities, according to Canton press reports yesterday.

Civilian applications, it is stated, will require a guarantee from a reliable businessman or Government official, but no guarantee is necessary for students and officials.—Reuters Special.

AN OLD WOMAN KILLED

A fatal accident occurred along Customs Pass Road at Tai Po Tsai Village yesterday morning when a 60-year-old Chinese woman was knocked down by a lorry.

The woman, it is alleged, ran out across the road and was struck.

She died on the way to the Kowloon Hospital.

MAY RETREAT OVER BLUE NILE

The Italians have massed 20,000 men on the road outside Debra-Marcos in Abyssinia, according to a correspondent with the British forces yesterday.

These troops are being threatened by Abyssinian patriot forces who are advancing from the north, and it is by no means certain that the Italians intend to give battle.

The patriot forces inflicted heavy casualties on the retreating Italians, and it is possible that the Fascists, owing to heavy casualties and desertions, may abandon Debra-Marcos and cross the Blue Nile to join the garrison in Addis Ababa.

The Blue Nile can be crossed at several points now but when the rains come the river will be impassable.

ROOTY HILL DERBY FIRST PRIZE

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD") It was authentically learned last night that the First Prize of \$397,600 (Ticket No. 538127) in the Rooty Hill Derby, run on February 24 at Happy Valley, was drawn by a syndicate of four Chinese women.

The women bought four tickets only, the leader, a Mrs. Tong, holding a 2/5ths share, one young girl, a 1/10th share and the other two women a 1/4 share each.

According to reports, the services of a well-known local Chinese lawyer were retained by the four women to collect the prize and to divide it among them.

BATTLE OF THE ATLANTIC

THE IMPORTANCE OF THE BATTLE OF THE ATLANTIC WAS STRESSED YESTERDAY BY MR. A. S. SCUDDER, MEMBER OF THE AMERICAN COMMITTEE FOR AIDING THE ALLIES, BEFORE LEAVING LONDON FOR NEW YORK.

Mr. Scudder said he would tell his committee that the United States was concerned as much as Britain. If that battle was won, the war was won, he declared.

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NEW CURTISS DIVE-BOMBER COMING

The Curtiss-Wright Aircraft Company announced yesterday that they are now producing a new dive-bomber, the best in the world.

It has twice the bomb-load of the present type of dive-bomber, is very much faster and is more heavily armed. —Reuter.

H-K. ESTATE DUTY BOOST

Substantial increases in the rates of estate duty in the higher levels are proposed in a draft bill to be submitted to Legislative Council shortly. They will affect estates of persons dying after April 1, 1941.

No increase is contemplated affecting estates below \$300,000, but the maximum is now 52 per cent, on \$30 millions as against a previous maximum of 20 per cent, on \$20 millions.

An estate of \$4,000,000 will pay twice the duty provided under the old schedule.

The new schedule is as follows:

Where the Principal value of the estate	Estate Duty shall be payable at the rate per cent of
Exceeds \$500	1
5,000	2
10,000	3
25,000	4
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CHICKEN LOOT

Some 100 chickens made up the loot of Lantau on Friday night, when five robbers, armed with revolvers and rifles, stopped and robbed a junk at 9.30 p.m. The pirate junk sailed towards Castle Peak after the robbery.

FRANCE WORKS FOR HITLER

Reliable Evidence Reaches United States

Silk Mills In Lyons Making Parachutes

(By Kingsbury Smith, Washington Correspondent Of International News Service)

IT IS LEARNED FROM AUTHORITATIVE QUARTERS IN WASHINGTON THAT THE UNITED STATES HAS RECEIVED RELIABLE INFORMATION REVEALING THAT BIG FACTORIES IN THE UNOCCUPIED REGIONS OF FRANCE ARE MAKING WAR MATERIALS FOR GERMANY.

It is reported, for instance, that the silk mills at Lyons are making a thousand parachutes for the Luftwaffe.

This information, it is conceded, must make the United States extremely reluctant to press Britain to relax the blockade in favour of France, since it is felt that Britain can hardly be expected to agree to help French manpower which is engaged in the task of aiding the German cause.

Washington officials do not believe, in any case, that Admiral Darlan's threat to convey foodstuffs to France will cause the British Government to vary its policy.

President Roosevelt, at his press conference yesterday, indirectly hinted the belief of official quarters that Vichy is consciously exaggerating the seriousness of the French food shortage. — International News Service.

Darlan Off To Paris

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD") Admiral Darlan is due to leave Vichy to-day for Paris, where he will consult the German authorities, presumably on the question of conveying French food ships. The Cabinet met in Vichy yesterday but no communiqué was issued at the close of the meeting. Marshal Petain left Vichy yesterday for Grenoble. — International News Service.

"Times" Comment

"The Times" in a comment yesterday suggested that Britain was enforcing the blockade against France rather too leniently than too harshly.

Admiral Darlan was making much of the assertion that he had 40,000,000 Frenchmen to feed, but says "The Times," Vichy is directly responsible for only one-third of that number.

Large cargoes had been permitted to pass in Marseilles, but there was clear evidence that German and Italian Commissioners in the port were diverting appreciable parcels for their own use.

NEW MEMBER OF WAR COUNCIL

Herbert Evatt, former Judge of the High Court, was sworn in as an additional Labour member of the Advisory War Council, the proposal by the Australian Labour Party that the Council should be enlarged, having been approved by Mr. Menzies and the Government, states a Canberra message. Mr. Evatt recently created a sensation by resigning from the Court to contest a seat in the general election which he won. — Reuter.

CURRIE PREPARING REPORT

President Roosevelt at a White House press conference confirmed the report that he had already seen Dr. Lauchlin Currie but declined to reveal the details of his meeting with him.

The President merely stated that Dr. Currie was in the process of preparing his report. Considerable interest is now focused on the Currie report as evidenced by similar questions asked at earlier press conferences and the rumours spread by the Japanese that the report will be "pessimistic."

Dr. Currie yesterday reiterated that he has great faith in China's future.

President Roosevelt yesterday stressed that America will assist any country resisting armed aggression and intimated that more aid to China under the provision of the Lend and Lease Bill will be forthcoming. — Central News.

AMERICA'S REPLY TO JAPAN

The disclosure was made yesterday in Washington that the United States navy is building six battle cruisers considered by the "Washington Post" as America's answer to the large-type capital ships reported under construction in Japan. — Central News.

DRIFTING MINE

According to a report to the Harbour Office by the Master of the s.s. "Chungshan" a drifting mine was seen at 10.40 a.m. on Friday North-West of Luk Chau Island.

The position is given as Latitude 22 deg. 14' 12" North, and Longitude 114 deg. 7' 30" East, approximately.



Pom-pom ammunition being hoisted aboard one of Britain's battleships at sea. While at sea, every man in the ship almost lives at his action station. The shells are in the gun, and the guns are ready to fire the moment the enemy is sighted. An action schedule is worked out allowing the barest minimum for eating and sleeping. — (Copyright, Fox.)

ITALIANS BAN PASTORAL LETTER

A pastoral letter issued by the Bishop of Cremona has been banned by the Italian authorities, the New York "Times" declared yesterday.

In the letter the Bishop declared that God punishes a people by abandoning them to unworthy shepherds.

R.A.O.C. CORPORAL CHARGED

Corporal Leonard Munsey, 29 of the R.A.O.C., was charged before Mr. D. J. N. Anderson, at Kowloon yesterday, with stealing three blankets, two mosquito curtains, and an electric light bulb from the R.A.O.C. depot on Friday.

He was further alleged to have conspired, together with four Chinese, including a 27-year-old woman, to steal 215 blankets on the same date.

The four Chinese were additionally charged with having aided and abetted Tsang Wing-tuk to demand money with menaces from a person in Kowloon City district between February 7 and 27.

All accused were remanded for three days.

Lieut. Wallington, of the R.A.O.C., said he was instructed by the military authorities to ask the Magistrate to take a very serious view of the case.

One of the Chinese accused, Lo Yau, 32, will be defended by Mr. M. A. da Silva.

SPURT IN U.S. ENGINE OUTPUT

THE NUMBER OF AEROPLANE ENGINES PRODUCED BY THE THREE LEADING AMERICAN MANUFACTURERS IN FEBRUARY WAS 2,600, ACCORDING TO THE AMERICAN AERONAUTICAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, STATES A MESSAGE FROM NEW YORK.

This constitutes a thirteenfold increase in production since September 1939.

At the beginning of the war these three companies—Pratt and Whitney, Curtiss Wright, and Allison—were producing only 200 monthly, but in September last they turned-out 1,500 engines. By July it is expected their output will reach 3,700 monthly. — Reuter.

DAYLIGHT SAVING (SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD") Daylight saving comes into force in Shanghai as from to-day. Official reason is to save electricity on account of the shortage of coal. — Our Own Correspondent.

REFLECTION OF RECENT FAR EAST TENSION

IT WAS STATED IN Shanghai yesterday that although the Japanese authorities have not officially instructed an evacuation of Japanese residents from "European" areas, including Hong Kong, such evacuation is now being carried out without attracting any unusual attention.

Recently, Japanese ships leaving India and Singapore have been fully occupied with Japanese families returning to Japan and Shanghai.

All Japanese women and children have evacuated India, only the wives of one or two Japanese consular officials remaining.

Japanese officials remaining in India, Singapore and Hong Kong, have been advised to send their valuables and property away.

No official order has been issued but evacuation is being gradually carried out on "personal" advice of Japanese Consulates.

Japanese ships leaving Singapore since February 23, have all been fully occupied.

Many reservations have been made by Hong Kong Japanese residents on ships leaving Hong Kong in the next few weeks.

The Hong Kong branch of the N.Y.K. stated yesterday that about 40 reservations have been made for the Kamakura Maru.

As defendant in one case and complainant in another, a 15-year-old Chinese girl appeared before Mr. H. C. Macnamara at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday morning.

In the first case the girl, with another girl, aged 16, was charged with stealing \$1,230 and jewellery, valued at \$155, from a 44-year-old woman, Cheung So, at No. 454, Shanghai Street, on March 3.

In the second case, the girl accused a 63-year-old widow, Wong Luk, with demanding, with menaces, a sum of \$300. The widow was also accused of stealing the jewellery which the girl is alleged to have stolen.

Another 15-year-old girl was charged with being an accessory after the fact.

The cases were adjourned.

MEALS DURING AN EMERGENCY

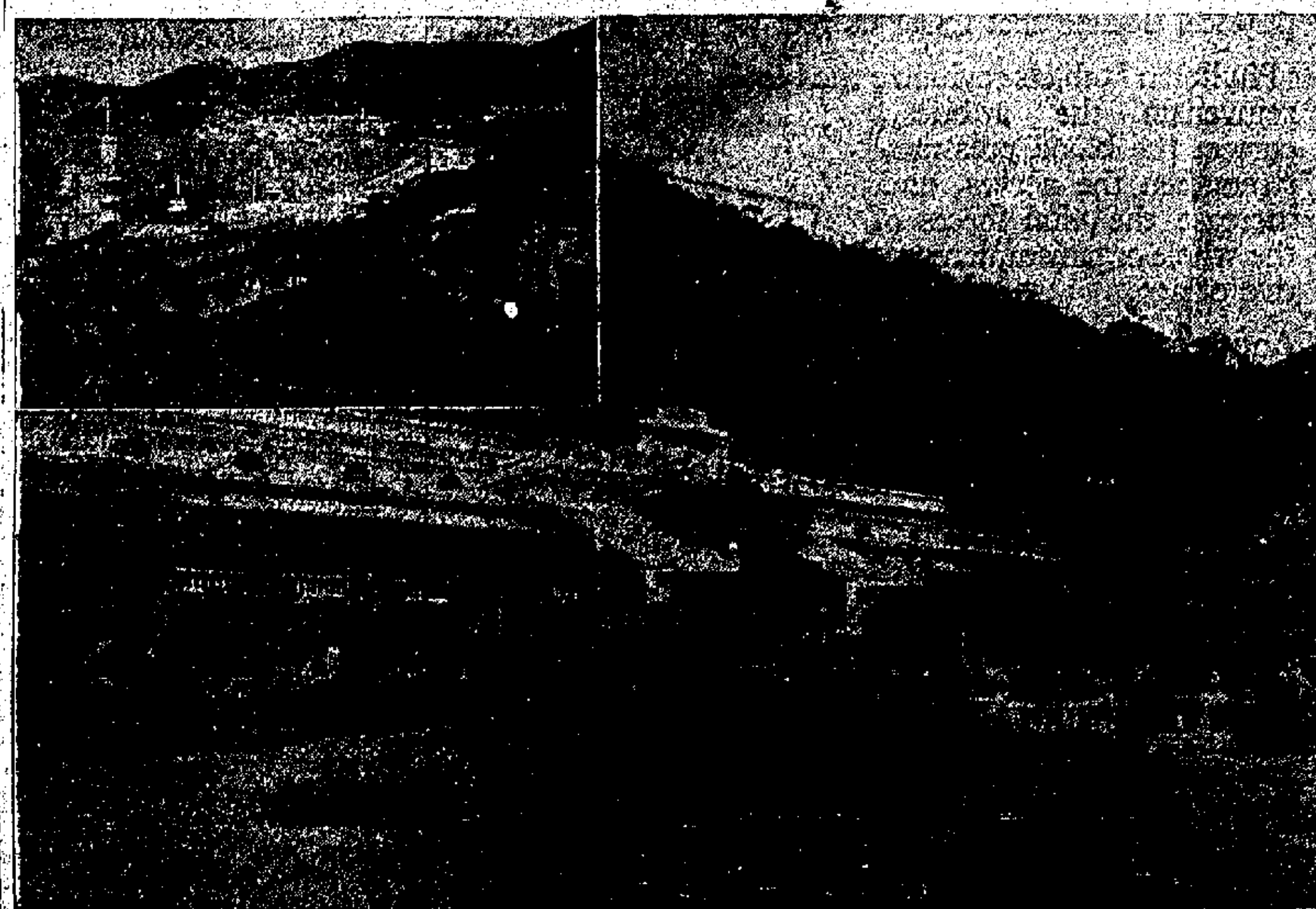
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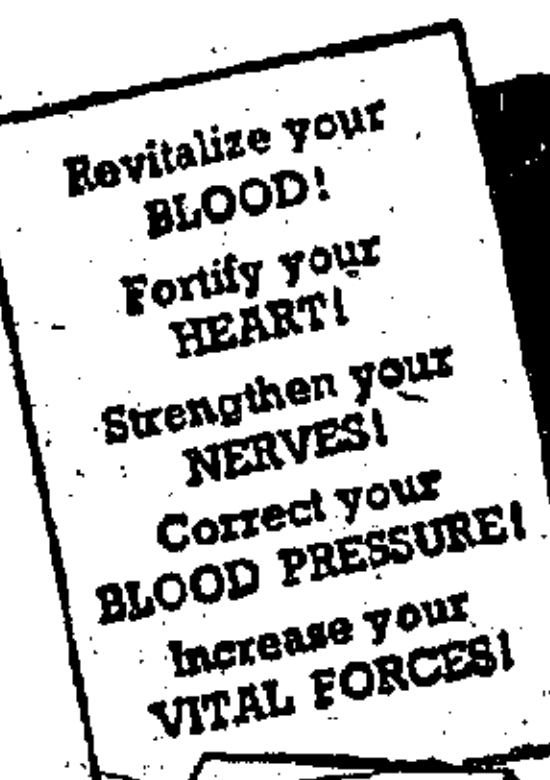
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GRAVE CHOLERA OUTBREAK

Thirty-Seven New Cases On Friday

Figures Near Last Year's Epidemic

AN URGENT WARNING has been issued that all precautions, besides inoculation, should be taken against cholera, the number of cases of which has increased alarmingly during the last three days.

Almost every case reported to the Health authorities has proved fatal.

Unlike last year, the majority of the cases are occurring on the Island, in the East and West districts.

On Thursday, nine fresh cases were reported and on Friday there were a total of 37 cases, with 18 deaths, this being equal to the average daily number of cases during the height of the epidemic last year in Kowloon City.

Of the 37 cases on Friday, 15 occurred in the Western district and 13 in the Eastern district, two in Kowloon, two in Aberdeen and one in Shaikwan. The total number of cases which have occurred since the beginning of the year is now 115.

The Medical and Health authorities are adopting all available measures and exerting all efforts to keep the outbreak under control and from spreading.

GOVERNMENT AID INVOKED

Electricity Charges

[SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD"]
A LETTER BY THE HONG KONG CHINESE GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE HAS BEEN FORWARDED TO GOVERNMENT REQUESTING THE AUTHORITIES TO CONSIDER STEPS CONCERNING THE PROPOSED INCREASE IN ELECTRICITY RATES BY THE HONG KONG ELECTRIC COMPANY AND THE CHINA LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY.

The letter, sent through the offices of the Chinese Members of the Council, suggests that the proposed increase be temporarily shelved owing to the present high cost of living in the Colony, or be cancelled.

A similar letter has been sent by the Hong Kong and Kowloon Tenants' Association.

THEFT FROM NAVAL DOCKYARD

A 21-year-old carpenter, Ng Siu-wan, was fined \$200, or three months' hard labour, by Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., yesterday morning, for stealing screws and copper bolts from the Royal Naval Dockyard on Friday.

The articles were found during a routine search at the main gate.

SELF-PROTECTION CORPS RUMOUR

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

REPORTS THAT Government had requested the revival of the dissolved 'Self-Protection Corps' was officially denied yesterday, when it was explained that Government, in a letter to the ex-Commander of the Corps, Mr. O. W. Luke, only asked whether the members of the Corps would be willing to assist Government in the event of an emergency.

As soon as uniforms are completed, some 200 members of the newly-organized Street Guards will be assigned to duty in the streets and roads where they were recruited.

They will receive a monthly allowance of \$10 from Government. Chief and Deputy Street Guards will receive the same allowance.

Some 500 recruits have now been registered but it is hoped to recruit 3,000, and to encourage employees and responsible members of the staffs of shops and other businesses to join the Guards.

European inspectors, accompanied by Chinese interpreters are now visiting business premises on a recruiting campaign.

No Purpose

Mr. Ng Chak-wah, Vice-Chairman of the Street Guards Committee, stated yesterday to the "Sunday Herald" that there was no reason to reorganise the Self-Protection Corps, since Government had approved the setting up of the Street Guards.

Anyone willing to assist Government would be welcome to the ranks of the Street Guards.

APPLICATIONS GROWING FOR LANTAU SCHEME

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

WORK ON THE Government's Village Settlements Scheme on Lantau Island and in areas in Saikung has already begun and four sites for these settlements have been demarcated on Lantau Island by a special "reconnaissance" party.

Applications are now flowing in the Medical Headquarters for agricultural plots, indicating that the scheme has attracted keen interest in the Colony.

Tenders have been called for the construction of administration huts and other temporary buildings in the settlement areas on the island, and plans are under discussion for building a road from Silver Mine Bay to Shek Pik.

"Further progress has been made during the past week," declared the Hon. Dr. P. S. Selwyn-Clarke, Director of Medical Services, yesterday to the "Sunday Herald," adding that last Monday and Tuesday a "reconnaissance" party, consisting of the Government Medical Officer, a Government architect, with Mr. F. W. Kendall, of the Medical Department, and a demarcator attached to the District Office, South, visited Lantau Island.

Three sites were defined in the Silver Mine Bay and Pui Wo areas and a fourth at Shek Pik.

Tenders Sought

Tenders are now being called for by the Public Works Department for the construction of Medical Administration Huts, Communal Reception Huts, Communal Kitchens and Communal Latrines.

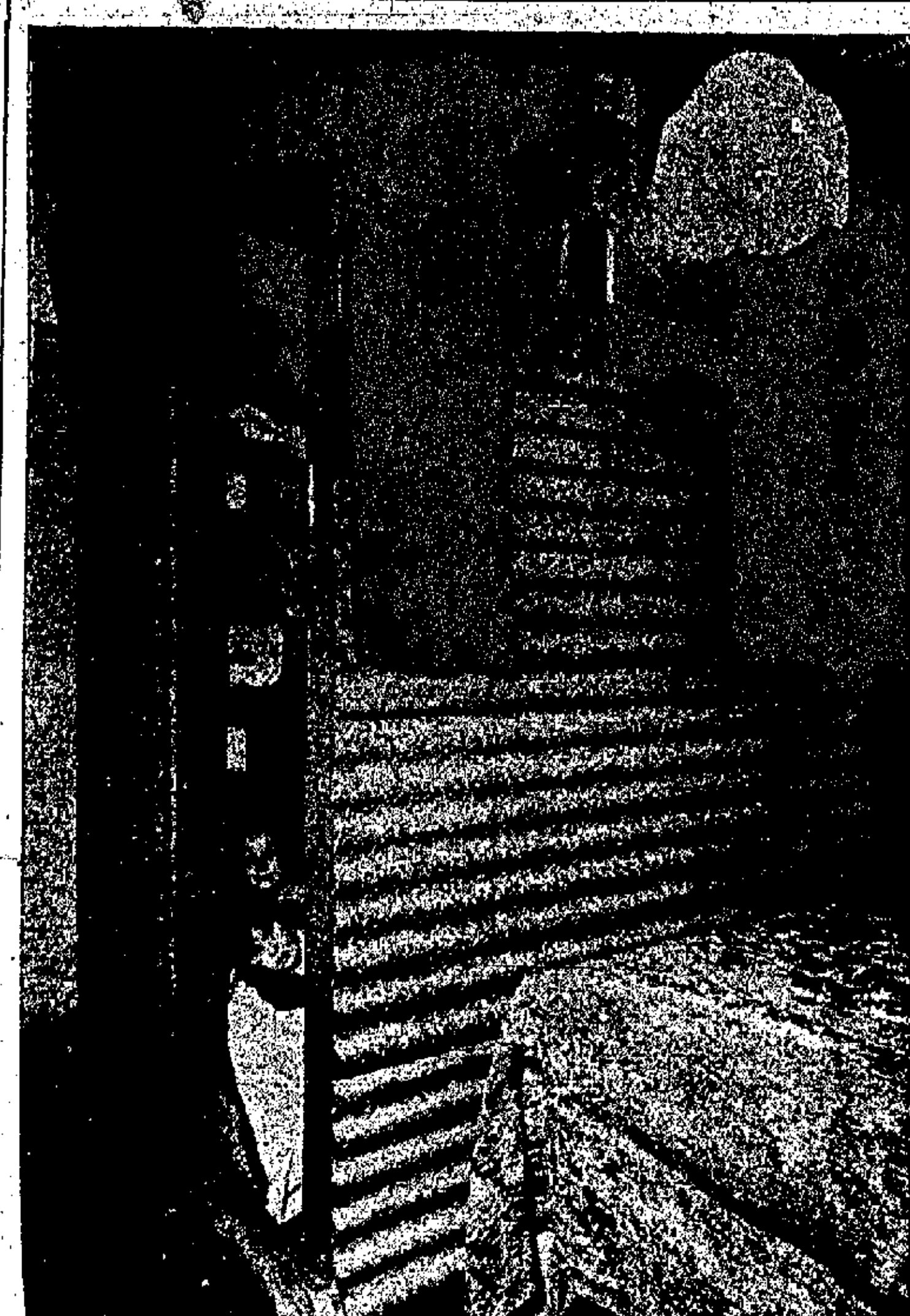
Steps are also being taken early to provide water supplies, and a doctor has been appointed to safeguard the health of the settlers, since the island is troubled a good deal with malaria.

It is understood that many applications for agricultural plots have already been received by the Medical Authorities and that special questionnaire forms with plans of the localities are being printed.

The Agricultural Sub-Committee under the Chairmanship of the Rev. H. R. Wells is now considering the question of crops and potatoes, turnips, carrots, pepper and onions being favoured rather than leaf vegetables owing to the occasional interruption of the ferry services.

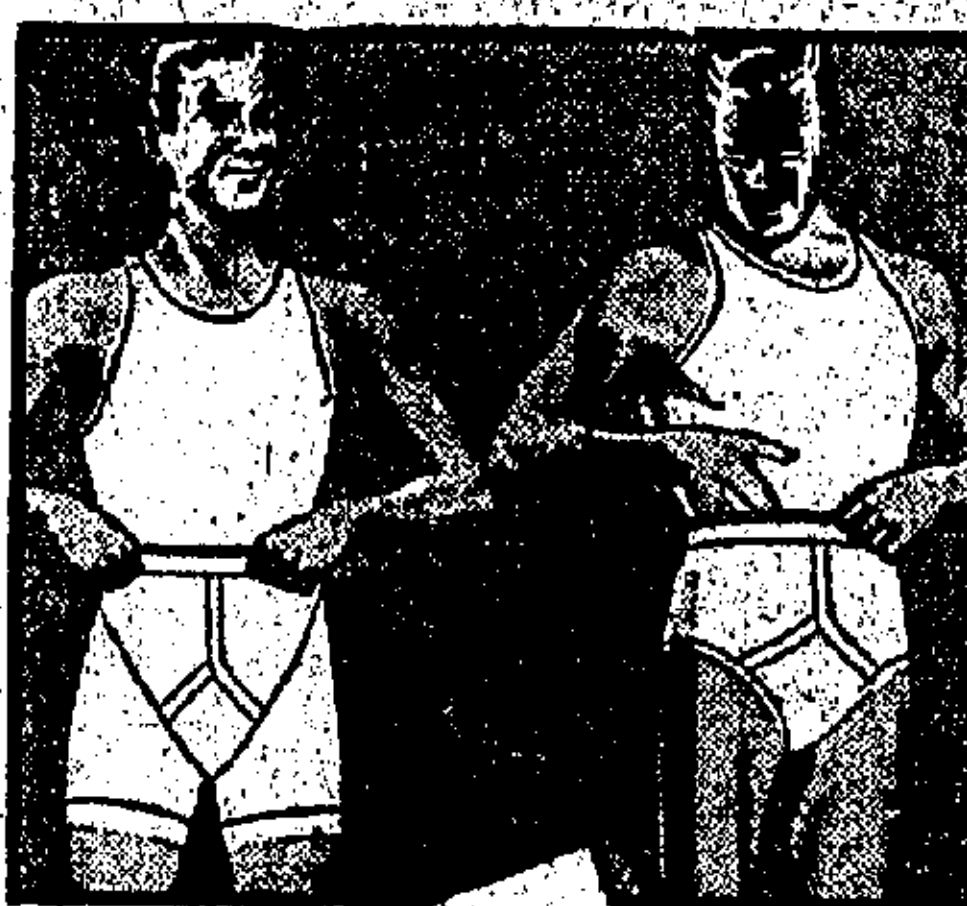
Transport Facilities

The Transport Sub-Committee, under the Chairmanship of Mr. Ngan Shing-kan, General Manager of the China Motor-Bus Company, is investigating means of improving transport facilities, including the question of special rates, and the construction of a



This is a type of indoor shelter now being constructed in England. Wembley Council have decided to scrap the whole of the Anderson shelter accommodation on their Manor Farm housing estate, and to provide Anderson inside protection of this type. Experiments over a long period have failed to solve the waterlogging problem of Anderson shelters, and it has been decided that a satisfactory solution would be to erect up a suitable room in the house. (Copyright, Fox.)

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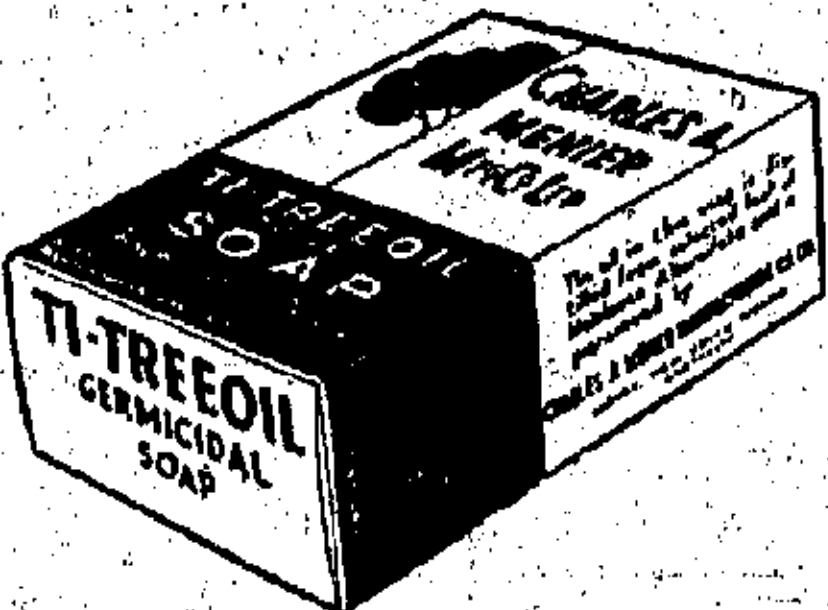
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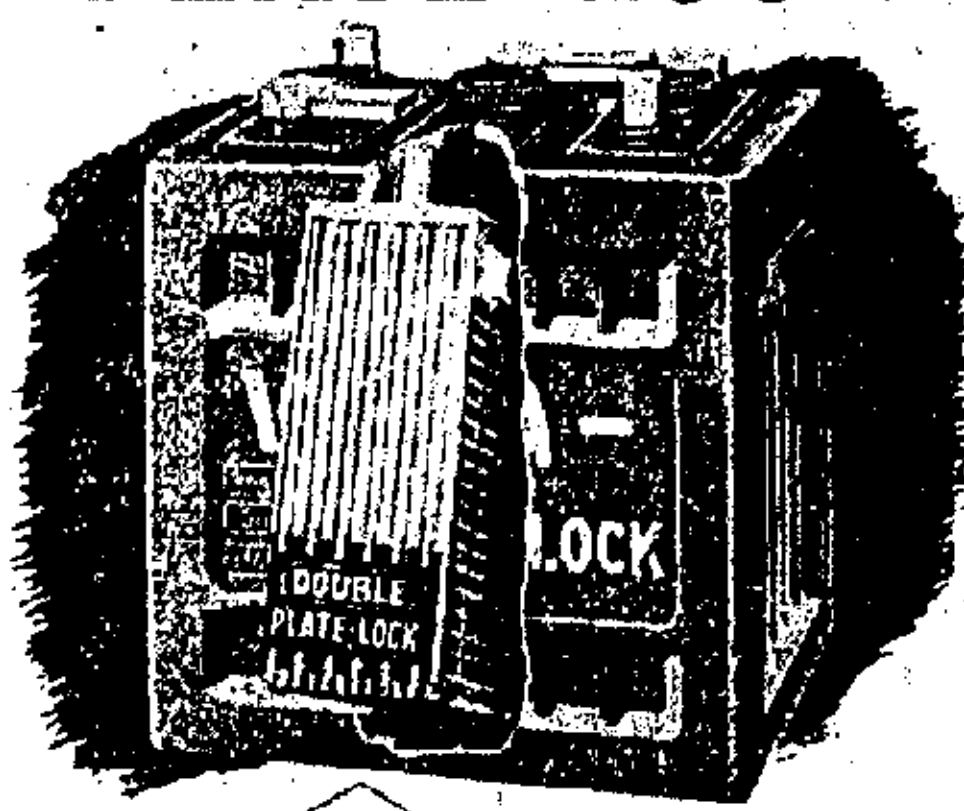
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Hitler Cannot Hold Europe Down

NOW let us conclude this argument: That Hitler has lost the war. Not that Germany has lost it; so far we cannot go. The greatest land power on the Continent of Europe, armed as no power has ever been in history, contends with the world's greatest sea power for an outcome that is still questionable.

But the cancer corroding Germany's strategy is Hitlerism itself.

It is being daily proven that Hitlerism is not a philosophy with which a great empire can be founded. It flouts every principle of empire founding. Hitler cannot win the war because he cannot make a peace because he cannot limit and define his aims. His original aims—the conquest of France as a prelude to the conquest of Russia—and the founding of a Reich from the Urals to the Channel went on the scrap heap with the Russian-German pact and the British resistance.

For that programme Hitler had a strategy. Make England an ally or keep her out of the war, defeat France, and then rally a Nazified France against Bolshevism.

For that programme Hitler had both a revolutionary strategy—the war against Communism—and a military strategy.

For his present situation he has neither a military nor a revolutionary strategy. He cannot stop now short of attempting to conquer the whole world. He cannot stop now at all. For he is forced to contest the world for the oceans as well as the land.

It is a principle of politics as old as history and recognised by every political philosopher from Machiavelli to Hitler himself that there are only two ways to create and hold an empire: By force, or by mutual interest. An empire created purely by force, without any consideration for mutual interest, can only be held by force.

Highly developed and civilised nations or states can only be held down by force. If their institutions are obliterated, their intelligentsia exterminated, their heavy industry taken over or demobilised and their societies turned into "backward peoples."

In order to hold Europe, for the long pull, Hitler must do all of this. He must treat the whole of Europe as he has treated Poland. He must turn the whole of Europe into a colony.

But if he turns the whole of Europe into a colony, he has inherited the worst liability imaginable. For it is useless as a colony. He will have made a war

to create a desert. He will have created an empire of starvation at his very gates. Every victory will be Pyrrhic.

Hitler cannot hold Europe, by mutual interest, because his basic philosophy excludes the idea of mutual interest. A Continental Europe in which Germany, the most numerous nation, is Prima inter Pares, a supreme among equals, could be a constructive economic idea. But the Nazi philosophy excludes the idea of racial or national equality. The result is that Hitler is, by definition, the enemy of every European nation—including his own.

He cannot spread National Socialism by the sword. The very idea is a contradiction in terms. It is gargantuanly idiotic.

National revolutions can be read the sword only when the sword is used to free nations, not to enslave them. French swords enlisted to aid the Ameri-

By Dorothy Thompson

can Revolution because it was in the interest of France at the time to defeat George III. France and America had a common cause. The French harried and diverted Britain through us. We welcomed the aid and, our Revolution being successful, the French withdrew.

Outside intervention will be welcomed by a nation only in its own fight for freedom against another outside oppressor or, in case of civil strife within a nation, outside intervention may be welcomed by one side or the other.

But even in the latter case the intervening nation must withdraw when the struggle is decided. In the last years Italy intervened in Spain on the side of Franco, and has won his lasting gratitude. But Italy, having helped secure the victory for Franco, withdrew from Spain. Germany also intervened, but the whole support for Franco was a fake from the beginning. Hitler wanted bases in Spain; he wanted economic control in Spain; he got them, and he is now the enemy of Spain as he is of every other European country. And Franco knows it. He knows anything at all. One cannot possibly be grateful to an ally who remains as a master!

Hitler tries to stir up civil strife inside nations for the purpose of intervening, and saying: The

whole world has caught into this by now.

This war has also demonstrated that the Communist revolution cannot be spread by the sword. Stalin learned that in Finland. Communism made headway in Asia when it arrayed itself on the side of nations seeking to rid themselves of a foreign yoke—in China, for instance, and in India. But it failed utterly, as a revolution, in Finland. Not even the Finnish Communists rallied to Stalin's banner. For even the Finnish Communists wanted Finnish Communism, not Russian Communism.

Yet Communism had a much more logical theory. It was anti-national, to start with. The moment it became nationalist it failed. But, National Socialism is based on the very principle of nationalism. And the moment it becomes international it fails.

So Hitler has not even been able to use Austrian Nazis in Austria. He immediately had to replace

them with Nazis from the Reich. Seyss-Inquart, an Austrian Nazi, to-day rules Holland. Josef Buerkel, a Reich Nazi, from the Saar, rules Austria.

Hitler has tried to combine National Socialism with the military imperialism of Wilhelm II. He can't. Nobody could. They don't go together. They cancel each other. Otto Strasser, Gregor Strasser and Capt. Roehm all knew this. They were genuine National Socialists, or National Bolsheviks. He killed them. The reason for the purge was the internal struggle between the Nazi party and the German Army. Hitler elected to keep both worlds by purging both the party and the army. But he could not eradicate any. An essential conflict by shooting some three hundred or more persons full of holes.

He is still on the horns of the old dilemma. If he wants a "New Order" in Europe, or any other at all, he has either got to crush Eu-

rope and establish an exclusive German monopoly, maintained forever by occupation and eating away the very substance of Germany herself, or he has got to purge his whole party out of existence and shoot himself, that a Germany may arise capable of living as an equal among equals in European civilisation.

This he is not likely to do, so others must do it for Europe and for Germany.

All this is what Hermann Rauschning meant when he called Nazism "The Revolution of Nihilism." Combining in itself absolutely contradictory elements, it is incapable of anything except destruction.

It can wage war, but it cannot create any kind of peace.

It cannot create a United States of Europe because it cannot create freedom and equality, without which any European federation is impossible. It has only hypocrites to sit down on, and Tolstoy remarked that that was the one thing no one could do with bayonets.

So it won't sit down. Hitler will go on and on because that is all he can do. He cannot draw a single boundary and say: Here I stop. Because if he does all the resentment of Europe will concentrate beyond that boundary.

He is trying to spread a secular religion which is a Germanic racial religion, to which he cannot convert a single non-German soul.

And he knows it. So does Europe. There are no pro-Nazis left in Europe outside Germany except a few ambitious individuals who can use the German sword to elevate themselves to a power they otherwise could never have. But no one yet has been able to found an empire on traitors. The North could not even do it in the South in the days of the carpet-baggers.

The last Nazi carpetbaggers who still don't see reality are in this America, their minds wearing long gray beards, however much they may be vapouring about the wave of the future. If Hitlerism is the Wave of the Future, then the Wave of the Future is chaos. And to win chaos is not to win either a war or a revolution.



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Housekeeping In War-Time

The author of this article is in private life Mrs. Nat Gubbins, wife of the well-known British humourist, whose page in the "Sunday Express" delights millions of readers.

People from other countries who visit England now would undoubtedly find many changes in our mode of life. Changes which have come about so gradually that we, who live here, are hardly aware of them. The change of which I am most keenly aware is

are good shoppers and wives are wondering if they will go on doing it after the war. If they get sufficient praise for their efforts they probably will. Some are dreadfully courageous, of course, bringing home armfuls of things and dismissing their wives' fearful "how much did you give for that, dear?" with an airy "I never asked the price" which has a most impressive effect upon the maids and children.

The Commuter who goes to work each day brings home something from the excellent shops and wives are finding out men's taste at last by the odd things they bring home and are sometimes amazed at the things men eat in the City—choice delicacies they've never even heard of.

Our neighbourhood has become a community in which nearly everything is shared. My neighbour, with whom strained relations have existed ever since our children made faces at her's over the fence, suddenly pops a basket of cooking pears over that old site of war with a special recipe for pear and greenage jam, and of course every house is open to the lonely husband who has sent wife and children into the country.

By Phillida Hughes

The zest with which I now keep house. It has become a game or rather a much faster game than it used to be. So many familiar foods are either restricted or rationed. In an English household this means using one's diplomacy to break down hostility to anything new as well as one's ingenuity in planning the new dishes. But it is more interesting and it has another good side too. Now the unpunctual cook has a good excuse. She can always explain to an enthralled family how the butcher's boy had to dive into an air raid shelter on his way to deliver the meat. We will readily believe that is what kept lunch late, when it really was late because she spent so long listening to the butcher's boy tell his adventures.

Food has now become a topic of conversation in mixed society. At any moment an argument on prime cuts and their prices may break into a discussion on the new bomb sight from America or the host's golf or bridge score. I think that visitors to this country may be agreeably surprised to find that we suddenly take a serious interest in food; they may even find that it has improved.

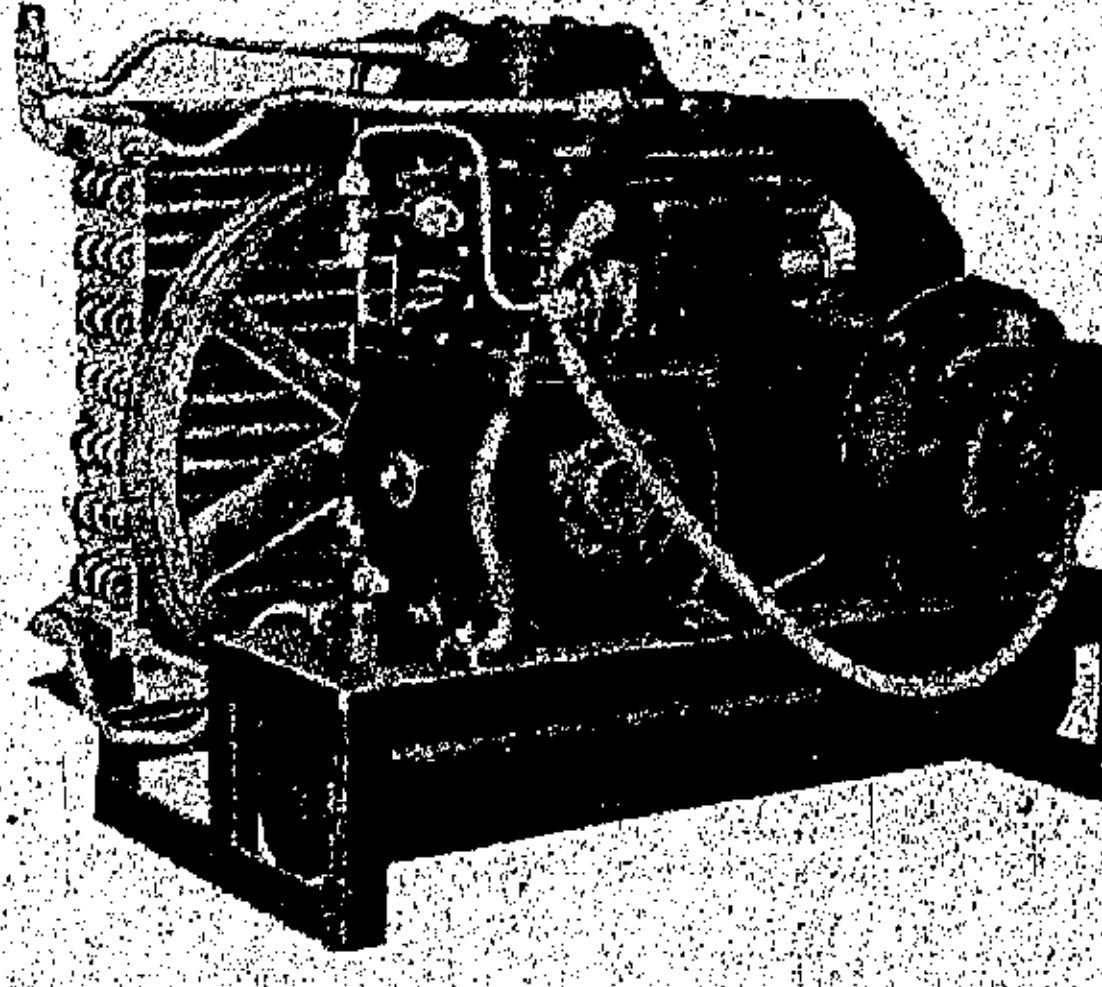
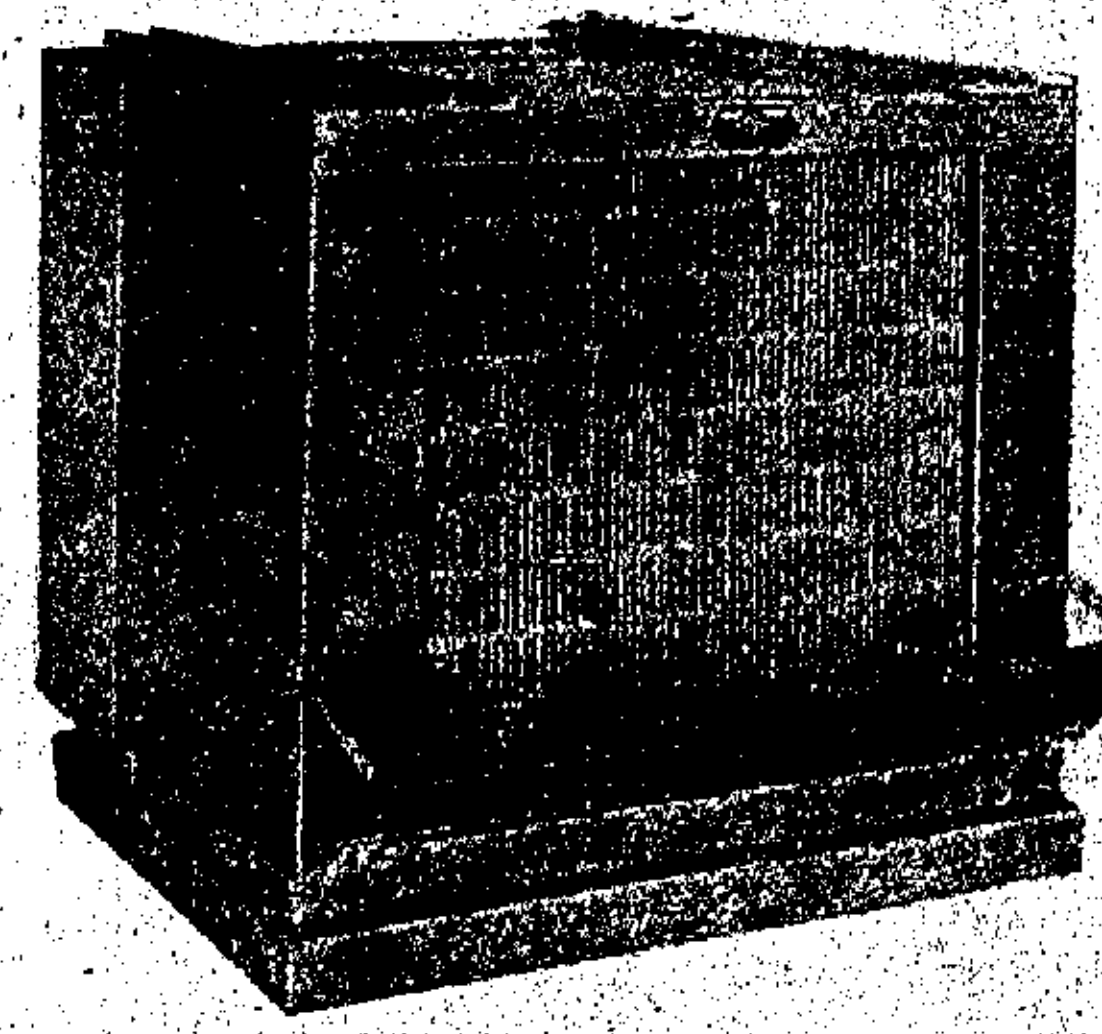
So many husbands buy and prepare their own evening meal when their wives are out on A.R.P. or Red Cross duties that the war has done nothing else it has taught men that food does not grow on tables. Most men out.

Everyone sleeps downstairs during the nights and we often entertain our friends sitting on the foot of our beds in the dining-room. The cry "what will they think of us?" once so familiar in British middle-class homes is banished. Who cares what anyone thinks in this crazy here-to-day, perhaps gone-to-morrow existence? And of course much less work.

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When I Was Greek

THE attention of the Department for Settling Outstanding Problems has been drawn to the report submitted by the Italians that the bayonet is a barbaric weapon.

The Director of the Department (Mr. Yaffle) is of opinion that the Italians are correct. Barbaric means uncivilised, or more correctly, pertaining to a decayed civilisation.

Modern civilisation is distinguished from those of the past by two main characteristics: Speed and Mass Production.

An uncivilised weapon, therefore, is one which travels slowly and produces only one corpse at a time. A bayonet can only kill one person at a time, unless, of course, they are very thin people, such as fashionable women, five of whom, it is estimated, can be spitted on a single meat skewer. Therefore a bayonet is an uncivilised weapon.

It may seem surprising that the Greeks, who have a longstanding reputation for civilisation, should display this predilection for out-of-date weapons.

But the fact is the Greeks were always like that. They were never really civilised, in what we now know to be the correct sense of the term. They always neglected efficiency, and continually sacrificed scientific progress to Art, or something irrelevant. They might have been as progressive as we are, but they threw away all their opportunities. They knew the principle of many of our most important inventions, but refused to adopt them in practice.

For example, they invented the steam engine over a century B.C., but refused to make use of it, probably for the childish and impracticable reason that they preferred white temples to black factories. They didn't seem to WANT to get anywhere.

No wonder, then, we find them to-day using clumsy, antiquated weapons, which are technically no advance upon the spears they used at Marathon.

There is something positively doric about such a weapon. One might almost say they must have fetched it out of the Attic.

In my opinion (continued Mr. Yaffle, musingly), the Greeks have been much overrated. People are continually cracking them up for having invented Democracy. They may have done; but we are

apt to forget that it was also they who first thought of Totalitarianism.

In one of my previous incarnations I was a Greek philosopher. I remember one day, somewhere at the end of the third century B.C., I was sitting on the steps of the Erechtheum discussing with some of the boys, when a young mathematician named Euclides ran up in a state of great excitement shouting "Eureka!"

"What's eating you now, Euclides?" said Demosthenes, irritably, for we were annoyed at the interruption, the more because none of us liked the young man, whose ideas we regarded as frivolous and boring, in the extreme, being concerned solely with a lifeless, two-dimensional plane of existence.

"I've just discovered something frightfully important," shouted Euclides. "The Whole is greater than its Part!"

"What do you mean, greater?" said Ctesiphon.

"Well, you know—bigger and all that," replied Euclides.

"More important?" asked Aeschines, sharply.

"Well, it would be, wouldn't it, if it's greater?" Euclides replied.

We thought no more of the incident at the time. We just ticked him off soundly for expressing an idea which was philosophically unsound and morally indefensible, and Euclides, finding his idea was

not well received, slunk away. Or did someone fling him down the steps? I forget, but 'tis no matter.

After a while, however, we found his idea was catching on. All sorts of theories sprang up, stressing the importance of the part.

Political theorists began to spread ideas about the importance of the State as compared with the individual citizen. Orders began to rant about the duty of sacrificing personal interests to those of the nation, as if a nation, being bigger, were of more value than a person.

Even the democratic theory itself became corrupted by this purely mathematical standard of human values, and when I found that Democracy was becoming confused with the idea of majorities forcing their will upon minorities, I thought it was time

to die, and did so, in B.C. 270. The mistake I made was in coming back just at the time when Euclides' ridiculous ideas were finding full expression. He really was a most objectionable young man.

To return once more to the subject of out-of-date weapons. It will have come as a shock to many people to learn that the War Office has finally put a ban on the wearing of swords by officers.

While it is generally agreed that the sword is even less used in modern warfare than the bayonet, yet it has such inestimable value as a symbol that it is difficult to imagine how we shall get on without it.

For example, one cannot imagine even the most eloquent of our statesmen announcing that "We shall not unfuse the bomb, which we have not lightly manufactured, until..."

Or, again, should anything happen to the dome of the Old Bailey, one cannot see the statue of Justice being replaced by a figure bearing the scales in one hand and an aerial torpedo in the other.

And it may be doubted whether even the most popular of leaders would care to refer to the "Baby-killer of Justice."

The public may rest assured, however, that while the use of the sword is forbidden in actual warfare, it will be retained for use in public speeches and leading articles until further notice.

This is the Yaffle Broadcasting Service. Here is the news. For advocating Peace on Earth irrespective of terms, Archibald Bugdinger, aged eight, professional carol singer, was charged before the Juvenile Court with making statements liable to cause depression, and bound over to keep it to himself.

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Considerable hardship has resulted from the increasing tendency of tradesmen nowadays to demand cash payment where hitherto extensive credit has been allowed.

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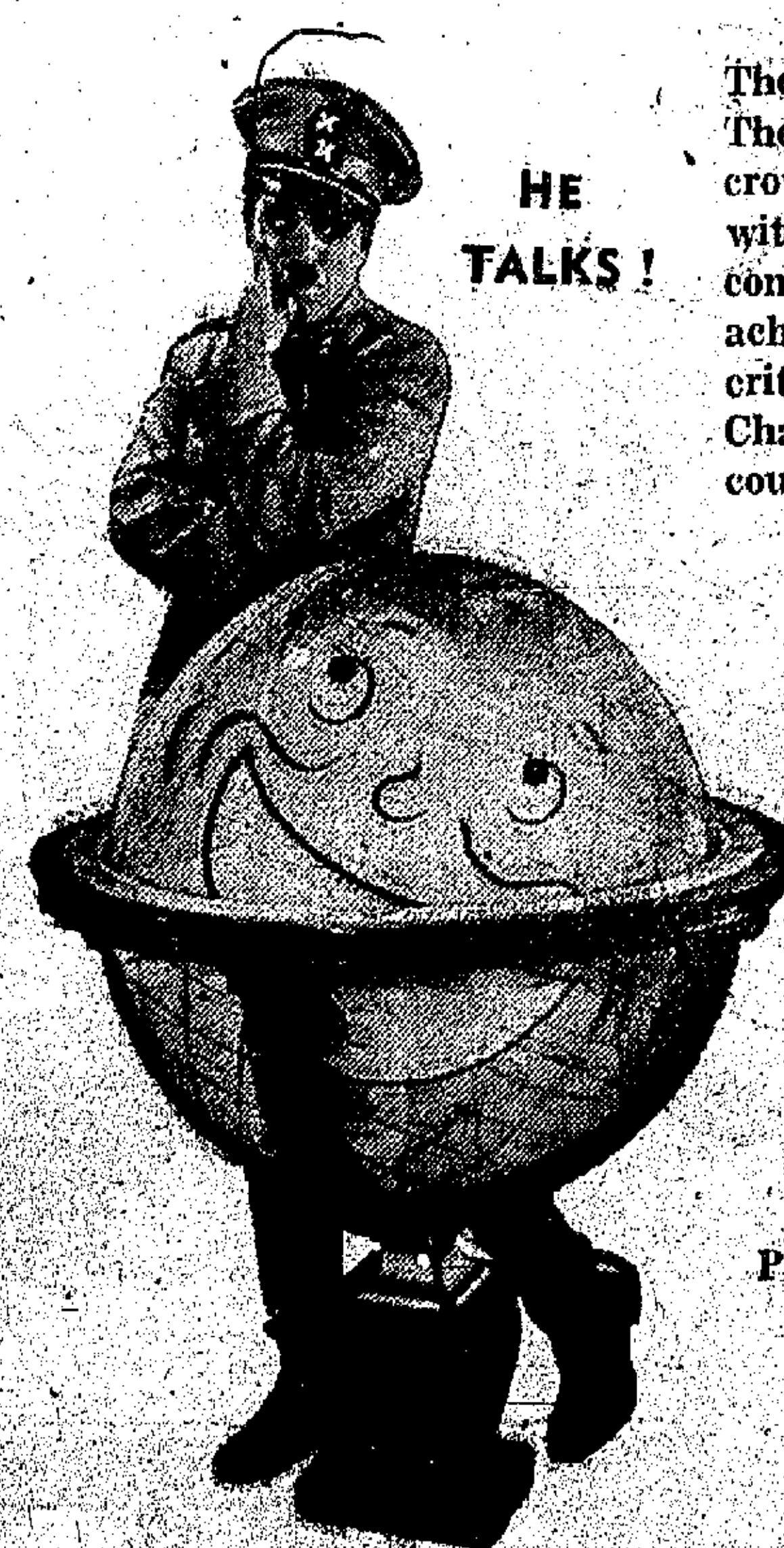
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In Europe and Asia the war is rapidly moving toward a new climax. The German moves in the Balkans, the approach of Spring weather with the expected intensification of the campaign of Britain, and the Japanese and British moves around the Malay peninsula are all prebatory in the bitter battles that 1941 is certain to produce.

In the impending struggle, there are three principal theatres of war—the British Isles and the seas and coasts of Europe near them; the Mediterranean basin from Gibraltar to Aden and from Suez to the Balkans, and the Far East.

The first is the main theatre and the only one in which an out-and-out decision can be won. Britain is the keystone of the structure of resistance to Adolf Hitler, and if Britain falls world-wide changes are likely to occur which would be certain to affect the other theatres of struggle. Britain has massed formidable forces for the defence of Britain; perhaps 4,000,000 men are under arms in the "tight little isle," 500,000 to 600,000 of them rather well-trained, well-

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equipped troops. The Royal Air Force is approaching the peak of its efficiency, but it is still outnumbered, perhaps 2 to 1 or 3 to 2, by the Germans.

The British Navy, with sixteen battleships now in commission and 221 destroyers, is still blockading most of Europe and guarding the sea lanes of Britain, and it is prepared to strike against invaders, but its problems will be greatly magnified with the coming of better weather and the expected intensification of the German submarine and air war.

U-Boat Strength

Germany probably has between 120 and 180 submarines available for the war against commerce (about one-third on stations at any one time). Her four-engined Focke-Wulf Kurier planes and other long-range scouting and bombardment types materially increase the effectiveness of the submarines. Surface raiders, also probably guided by planes, are operating against convoys. Germany can probably concentrate on airports from Norway to Southern France two-thirds of her operating air force and can easily spare 100 to 125 divisions, if she desires to do so, for a blow against Britain.

The Mediterranean situation is more complex. Here the diplomatic war has not yet evolved finally and completely into the military war.

In the West, the threat to Gibraltar, bristling with guns and defended by perhaps 10,000 to 20,000 troops, remains.

In the Eastern and Central Mediterranean basin the situation is even more complex. Britain's African victories have clearly eliminated the Italian threat to the Suez Canal, and Britain's sea superiority in the Mediterranean, despite the appearance of squadrons of German Stukas, is greater than ever. All of Eastern Libya is now in British hands; Italian East Africa is crumbling under a three-directional drive by Empire forces, and perhaps four to six British divisions (75,000 to 120,000 men) over and above the garrisons needed for Egypt and the conquered territories in Africa may now be available for other operations.

With the British victories in Africa the threat to Suez and to British sea supremacy in the Mediterranean must now come from Europe. And it seems to be coming from Europe. The concentration of German troops in Bulgaria has moved the German plans in a favourable position. The struggle for power in the Balkans is not yet over, but if Germany wins the pre-battle moves, the victories over the Italians won by the Greeks' eight to twelve divisions and the 100 to 200 British planes operating from Greece may go for naught. Germany may force peace on Greece. But this is by no means certain. The British are firmly established at Suda Bay in Crete within easy bombing range of Italy, and at Lemnos in the Aegean Sea, strategically located to permit operations either against the Rumanian oil fields or Bulgaria. And the status of Salonika itself, easily defensible gateway to an Eastern front and during the

World War an armed camp, is uncertain. If Britain has the men and materials and planes to spare, British and Greek forces might defend Salonika indefinitely, even against a German drive.

Russia And Japan

The moves in the Far East seem unrelated to all the turmoil of Europe, but in reality they are closely related. Russia's actions in Siberia, which must influence profoundly Japan's operations, are in turn directly influenced by Ger-

man moves in Europe. And Japan is plainly preparing to share in the consequences of a possible German victory and has made the next to the last moves before taking the climactic step in her programme for domination of Asia. But there still remain moves to make before any attack is launched.

First, it seems clear that the weakness of the various citadels of Western influence in the East—Singapore, the Netherlands Indies, the Philippines, Hong Kong—is naval strength. Separately

each one is capable of long resistance to any Japanese force that might be brought against it, but without strong naval forces to knit them into co-ordinated strength Japan can attack each one in succession.

U.S. Fleet

If, therefore, events in Europe forces a weakening of Western influence in the Far East, it is for instance, the United States Fleet, with its twelve battleships and four aircraft carriers now based

at Hawaii, had to be moved into the Atlantic, then Japan would find an opportunity to strike. But so long as the United States Fleet is at Hawaii or there is prospect that greater Western strength may be detached from Europe or the United States for service in the Far East, it seems unlikely that Japan will make a decisive move, unless that move is one of desperation. For her timetable of conquest is obviously geared to the Axis time-table.

In this sense, therefore, the marked British strengthening of

Singapore—a strengthening that may have now increased the British garrison there to 100,000 men, and 500 to 1,000 planes—is a move anticipatory of future Japanese moves, not in answer to past Japanese moves. Britain seized the initiative in the international chess game. True, the Japanese are now expanding steadily into French Indo-China and Thailand, but their forces at Saigon and Camranh Bay and perhaps at Bangkok are as yet small, and these places are not yet developed sufficiently from

the Japanese viewpoint to serve as bases against Singapore.

Concentration Of Troops

However, the concentration of 90,000 to 100,000 troops on Hainan Island, and the withdrawal of troops from China, all indicate that Japan is making the last preparatory moves before her great effort at checkmate. She is not likely to attack Singapore or any other of the Occidental cit-

adels of the East in the immediate future, if only because she would probably suffer a very bloody reverse if she did so. But given what she considers a favourable opportunity—an opportunity manufactured in Europe—given some certainty that her rear will not be attacked by Russia, and that United States naval strength is required in the Atlantic, and Japan may attack Singapore or the Netherlands Indies, or both. But regardless of what she does, she is faced by strong opponents ready for the final move.

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INVASION THOUGHTS

The widely-shared conviction that any attempt by Hitler to invade Britain this Spring would result in calamitous failure raises the opposite problem, how is Britain to accomplish the conquest of German military power.

Mr. Churchill, with the proof of Africa that the Axis is not invulnerable, gave the assurance recently that if Britain were provided with the tools she would finish the job. The question posed almost automatically is, if it turns that the Hitler war machine is incapable of crossing the Channel, how is Britain to spring the trick in reverse.

The answer is threefold: (1) by the slow pressure of blockade; (2) by eventual crushing superiority in the air; and (3) by internal strife in the occupied countries and later in Germany itself.

The conditions precedent seem a long way off. Blockade is a game that two can play. The production of aircraft in the United States is only in the early stages. Even Britain's programme did not develop important proportions until the fall of France ended the business-as-usual psychology. As to internal disorder, the German garrisons are powerful and disciplined.

The existence of ill-will, however, is unquestionable. Will Dutchmen ever forget what Hitler's bombers did to Rotterdam? Will Poles forget the obliteration of their country? Will Frenchmen grow immune to memory and to pride? Will Czechs and Norwegians and Belgians be reconciled to the Swastika?

There are plenty of symptoms to the contrary. Martial law has been imposed in North Holland. The betrayed and sullen Norwegians set a problem the Germans have been unable to fathom. France clings steadfastly to what remains to her, and prays for British victory. In Britain, Poles, Czechs, Netherlands and Norwegians ally with the R.A.F. and in Africa, General de Gaulle's contingents have shown the world that Frenchmen still can fight.

The seeds of insurrection are sown throughout Europe; if Hitler should attempt invasion and fail with heavy loss of men and material, all his Gestapo agents, Laval and Quislings might not be enough to control the fires of revenge that smoulder.

SHIPPING WAR

The sharp rise in British merchant tonnage losses noted in the most recent Admiralty figures may be coupled with the announcement of a secret session to discuss the shipping position and interpreted to mean that the situation has reached an acutely perilous stage. That is too hasty a conclusion, though it would be foolish to suggest that the situation is other than disturbing. Bad as were the March 3 figures, they followed a long period of more comfortable weeks, and conformed largely to cyclic expectations.

The secret session, it may safely be supposed, was less concerned with past events than the measures proposed for meeting the menace of the future. That is the big issue, for with improving weather, British shipping losses, already heavy, must be expected to rise even more alarmingly. Little attempt has been made to conceal the gravity of the threat, or the feeling that if the problem of 1940 was the provision of aircraft, the test of 1941 will be maintenance of open sea lanes.

If, however, we accept the threat of the U-boat and the Luftwaffe, working in collaboration, as a deadly danger, it does not mean we are frightened by Hitler's threats. We have had long experience of this type of warfare. We have called Hitler's biggest boasts and survived. Here is but another of the Fuehrer's fearful promises destined to be turned into a lie.

What Is Axis Duty Of Tokyo?

THE Orient is the scene of a big poker game these days. The game is still an open one; Japan, having failed to conquer China, is trying to win advantage elsewhere. Britain is doing her best to protect her interests which seem threatened by Tokyo, while the United States, having made it plain that Washington opposes the Japanese grab game, rests on its diplomatic position and keeps its navy in the Pacific.

The Japanese are hoping to reap a rich advantage from developments in Europe. If it were not for the United States, it would be reasonable to suppose that when Hitler makes his promised Spring drive against Britain, Japan would try a drive against British interests in the Far East. In other words, she hopes for a cheap German-made opportunity. It is the American Navy which spoils the picture for them. What would Washington do?

Friends of Japan might well suggest that Tokyo compare notes with Rome. After Hitler had France on her back Mussolini boasted what he thought was a beautiful opportunity to take a free ride on the German bandwagon. It was that argument with which he swung the King of Italy into line for going to war. Nowadays Mussolini could tell his Japanese partners a lot of things about his experiment. And the Japanese might be in the circumstance that Hitler is not in the Orient as he is to help Mussolini in the Mediterranean basin.

The Japanese Motives

Tokyo protests the pacific intentions of the Japanese. They just cannot understand why Britain would move more troops into Singapore unless London wants war. In the Japanese eyes it seems right that they go into Indo-China and start naval bases on its southern coast. They say all that is aimed at no one else than China, although there has been no explanation of how warships at Saigon can threaten Chungking. Indeed, one is forced to the conclusion that the Japanese think no one but themselves has any right to make any preparatory move in the Far East. One wonders how sincere is their surprise that other powers do not take at face value their statements that they have only economic motives regarding the Netherlands Indies.

There is something else wrong with the case the Japanese have been pushing. They have nothing against the United States. They wish no trouble with the United States. They are only

What About The Axis?

Surely Hitler is not so naive as to believe that Japan will attack the mainland of the United States just to help him out. That will not happen. It is much more likely that Hitler supposed that the Japanese might succeed in keeping the American fleet in the

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Pacific and thus ensure that the fleet would not help Britain at any stage. Perhaps the Japanese argued we would not do that in order to prevent Hitler's getting a potential advantage in the Atlantic, in the event of a British defeat.

Under this reasoning, it is not difficult to see that the Japanese hope that if U.S. should withdraw her Navy into the Atlantic they would have a relatively free field since they believe they can defeat British forces now in the Orient.

But what is the United States going to do? That is what Admiral Nimitz was sent to Washington to find out. The American Navy in the Pacific is one situation; the American Fleet not in the Pacific is quite another situation, from the Japanese viewpoint.

If, for example, Britain holds out against the Germans this year and during that time the American Fleet remains on guard in the Pacific, there may be a serious interference with the Japanese expansionist plans. That this is illustrated by Nimitz's statement that if Hitler beats Britain, his job would be easier. That is another way of saying that the Japanese Ambassador in Washington thinks that if Britain brings its fleet into the Atlantic,

Some Japanese Difficulties

Japan is far from a self-contained country. Notably she

needs large imports of oil and steel. Much of this supply has come from the United States. This is especially true of steel. America supplies somewhat more than half of her oil imports and the rest comes from the Netherlands Indies and from British sources. She imports most of her cotton from the United States.

In the event of hostilities Japan would lose her supplies from British and American sources. It might be taken for granted that there would be interference with her supplies from the Netherlands Indies and she might easily feel herself bound to try to seize those colonies.

A blockade of Japan maintained at a distance at sea might mean that aside from her routes to China all trade routes would be closed to her.

Thus, from a perfectly cold-blooded point of view, the Japanese position is not as good as if it were better. And the situation explains perfectly why the Japanese attach great importance to the Far Eastern policy of Washington.

Some Possibilities

Of course the Japanese know there are people in the United States who think it would be most unwise to go to war with Japan and thus risk a naval war in two oceans. They know perfectly well that some people think the thing to do would be to let the Japanese alone now, regardless of their ambitions in the Orient, on the theory that if Britain wins, Britain and America could attend to their Far Eastern interests some fairer day.

But the Japanese are by no means sure that that represents the policy of the Washington administration. They do not know whether or not American leaders have planned things differently. They do not know whether U.S. naval chiefs may calculate that it would not take all of the navy to maintain a blockade that would seriously interfere with their economy. Maybe U.S. plans would not call for a pitched battle with the Japanese navy. What might happen as a result of a modified blockade over a period of two years?

In short, Washington has Tokyo guessing and as long as Washington can keep Tokyo guessing, a good deal is to be said for that policy.

And thus it is natural that Japan is hesitant about deciding what she can get out of her Axis bargain.

THIS WEEK

Evidence accumulates that the arena is rapidly being cleared for the decisive clashes of arms which will decide victory in this war, however long it may afterwards take to clean up the debris. At the moment, despite the swift tempo of events, we witness nothing more crucial, or less, than the deceptions and strategies of the preliminary skirmishing stage. The spotlight turns, bewilderingly, in consequence, from the Far East to Berlin to the Balkans to the United States, to the reviving ray of the battle for mastery of the skies.

Mr. Matsuoka's Journey

Mr. Matsuoka's Berlin visit permits the ready inference that the first shock of the Spring Offensive need not be expected at the earliest for three or four weeks. Even here, however, reservation would be in order. It may imply persistence of the slightly more comfortable atmosphere in the Pacific until his return to Tokyo. That is a reasonable assumption. In Europe, it is possible for expert observers, who may not be right to interpret Hitler's massive troop movements in the Balkans as a feint to deceive Mr. Churchill as to his real intentions, plainly the Matsuoka visit would afford a much less expensive method of simulating preoccupations away from the main battlefield, the British Isles.

Turkey's Policy

Turkey's position remains unclarified. Because it is considered wise to keep the Nazis puzzled or because Turkey herself wavers? No definite answer is possible. Too much should not be inferred from the withdrawal of her former assertion that she would fight if Germany entered Constantinople. Hitler's march to Eden and Sir John Dill had been on the basis of purely military considerations. It would have been dangerous to expose her flank by getting in the way of a German army advancing on Greece. Until there is direct evidence to the contrary, it would be fairer to assume that Britain and the Turks are acting according to a common plan.

British Reinforcement?

Rumours of British troop reinforcement of the British troops in Greece come from many sources, but they lack authoritative support up to the time of writing. What conclusions one finds it may be drawn from hints of convoys moving in the Aegean Sea, reports of Italian submarines, sunk trying to attack, and of persistent R.A.F. attacks on aerodromes in Rhodes and the Dodecanese generally, points which would have to be neutralized were any troop movements in strength proceeding. Official confirmation of arrival of British forces would do more than anything to stiffen Yugoslavia's stubbornness if there has been any inclination to waver.

Greece Stands Firm

Greece meantime faces the menace of German troops on her borders quietly and unafraid. The tremendous counter-offensive started by the Italians in Albania under the direct eye of Signor Mussolini has fully justified the confident determination to resist. Italian troops in mass formation were poured in to the slaughter in vain assaults on the Greek lines, and the attack was broken off with the Italians thoroughly exhausted, having achieved nothing. The episode seems to be clear indication, however, that Italian military prestige is still more vital to the Axis than German ability, if it can be proved, to sweep through to Salonika. If Duce would be deeply disturbed if Hitler were to move against Greece before he had acknowledged inability to restore the situation in Albania. Hitler's order to move may, therefore, be postponed for more reasons than the ordinary one, that his last purpose is to become involved in military operations in the Balkans if they can possibly be avoided.

Lease And Lend

To stress the tremendous importance of passage of the Lend and Lease Bill would be pointing the obvious. The Axis interpretation that the United States is already in the war in consequence is only wrong in the sense that, on a reasonable estimate, they have been in the war for nine months, since the Dunkirk epic. Effect of the President's signature on the bill is to permit the immediate release of enormous material supplies already existing, including mosquito craft, submarine hunters, and even, his suggested, over-age battleships and cruisers. The President's call for a \$7,000,000,000 vote from Congress is generosity of the inspired kind.

China Friction

Washington anxiously over events in China has re-directed attention to the disturbing split between the Communists and the Kuomintang. In America, it is being stated that the Kuomintang has lost its idealism, that the Communists have been deliberately starved of money and munitions, that graft has been pocketed by high officials on a scale big even for China. As far as the underlying causes of the friction is concerned, there are red herrings in this line of attack. It is useful, however, that the wholesome truth has been stated that America would have little interest in helping a Fascist China to fight a civil war, or even to defeat a Fascist Japan. Chungking has much right to be wise in actual fact, but it is wise to demonstrate that it knows the meaning of magnanimity as well as of discipline.

SCRUTATOR.

Battle Of Ideas: Menace Of The U-Boat

By A Naval Expert

ADOLF Hitler's warning of intensified warfare against British arteries of trade is already being implemented.

Quietly, but with undoubted results, the German Luftwaffe has been striking at the focal points of British trade routes. In the past two weeks Swansea, with its oil tanks and port facilities, Bristol and Hull have been raided. And these raids are probably only the precursors of more severe attacks to come—attacks aimed from the air at the bases of British sea power, the ports from which and to which the ships that carry the stuff of life to Britain must ply.

This attempted counter-blockade of Britain will reach its greatest effectiveness not only when better weather permits more intensive air operations but also when the submarines of which Herr Hitler spoke of are unleashed. Herr Hitler spoke of the winter months now ending and implied that good use had been made of these months in training submarine crews. He spoke, as usual, in hyperbole, but there can be little doubt that the German submarine weapon is perhaps the most serious with which the British will have to cope.

Speculation as to the numbers of German submarines varies from 100 to more than 600. Conservative estimates place the total at between 120 and 180 of all types and sizes, with perhaps an equal number building or projected. Germany started the war with submarines of relatively small size, most of them 250, 500 or 740 tons.

Without question, however, she has constructed U-boats of larger size. Recent photographs of a new type show a ship, armed with

about a 4-inch gun and two small anti-aircraft weapons, which appears to displace perhaps 1,000 tons or more. It seems certain, in any case, that the German U-boats that will be used this year are large enough to have ample room for far-flung operations in mid-Atlantic.

World War Figures Cited

During the World War Germany turned out a minimum of one and a maximum of thirteen submarines in any one month, and an average for the entire war of between six and seven submarines a month. Her construction capacity at present is probably no less. In fact, because of the increased effectiveness of mass production methods, because a lesser part of Germany's ship-building effort is now devoted to the construction of surface ships and because the shipyards and industrial facilities of conquered countries are now available Germany's average marine production rate is probably somewhere between nine and fifteen ships a month.

But the bottleneck is probably in trained crews rather than in submarines. Time and experience are required to train a good "submarine." The rhythmic rise and fall in shipping losses is partly explained by the fact that the majority of ships sunk by submarines are accounted for by a relatively few skilled submarine commanders. When they are at sea the ship sinkings tend to increase. When they are in port, the figures tend to fall.

Germany unquestionably has had time to produce enough crews to man her submarines and pro-

bably a considerable number of them are now rather well-trained. If the British defensive measures should destroy many submarines quickly, however, Germany might not be able to replace the crews as fast as they were lost.

Ordinarily, about one-third the number of total submarines available is at sea on stations simultaneously. Another third is en route to or from stations and another third is in port. Thus, about one-third the total strength can be reckoned as effective operating units at any one time. This proportion, perhaps, can be increased somewhat to-day because of the proximity of German bases in Norway, France and the Netherlands to the British bottlenecks of trade. Moreover, the German submarine strength is augmented by the Italian fleet, a few of which have been operating in the Atlantic from German bases.

Bombers To Be Used

The answer to such warfare is not only more and more merchant ships—as yet only a small beginning has been made to the problem of replacement of merchant ship losses—but also planes and, destroyers, and anti-submarine craft. The new American-built Consolidated B-24 bombers, called the "Liberator," one of which is about to be ferried to Britain, are to be used by the Coastal Command of the R.A.F. in anti-submarine patrol and to protect convoys.

They will be one of the tools to the German four-engine Focke-Wulf Kurier planes which have been sweeping far to sea from French and Norwegian bases to spot British convoys and to act as eyes for German submarines.

tain gets her wish—more American destroyers. To-day Britain has about 221 destroyers, including the fifty destroyers transferred to her from America. Some of the latter are still in British dockyard hands, as the British have undertaken some rather extensive alterations. Britain has at least a score of destroyers building.

America now has about 160 destroyers divided between three fleets—the Atlantic, the Pacific and the Asiatic. Two hundred and four others are building. Of the 160, seventy-four are old "four-stackers" of World War design, the rest are modern ships. In addition to these 160, forty-five old "four-stackers" have been converted to other purposes and are now being used in the fleets as minelayers, aircraft tenders, anti-aircraft vessels, light transports, etc.

Wendell L. Willkie recently advocated sending five to ten destroyers to help Britain from America. It is understood that his estimate was only a small portion of what Britain really wants, which some quarters put at fifteen to twenty destroyers a month. British chances of getting even the smaller number of destroyers are problematical, however. If U.S. construction rate is an index, despite the large number of destroyers now contracted for, the keels of a great many have not been laid.

The United States completed only eighteen destroyers last year and is scheduled to complete fifteen in 1941 and forty-five in 1942. This schedule may be expedited somewhat, but nowhere near the number of destroyers Britain needs will be available for months unless America's fleets are stripped of vessels already in active service.

Another answer may be—if Brit-

TREATY OF PORTSMOUTH TO GO?

Axis Bid For Russo-Japanese Rapprochement Speculation On Matsuoka Mission

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

SPECULATION IS RIFE REGARDING THE VISIT TO BERLIN AND ROME OF MR. MATSUOKA, WHICH IS NOT CHECKED BY THE CAREFUL ATTEMPT OF MR. MATSUOKA TO DIMINISH THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE TRIP AT THE SAME TIME AS GERMAN SOURCES ARE BRINGING OUT THE TRUMPETS FOR A FANFARONADE.

Credence is given to the hint that Mr. Matsuoka may be asking Hitler for substantial aerial reinforcement of Japan's fighting power, as this is the weakest arm of the Japanese war machine.

It fits in with the belief that Japan is not satisfied with what she stands to gain (which is nil) from the Tripartite Alliance in its present form.

It is also strongly rumoured (1) that Matsuoka will seek to overcome German discouragement of Tokyo's desire to declare war on China and thus strengthen her blockade powers (2) that Germany's good offices will be sought in Moscow, and (3) that negotiations in Moscow have reached an advanced stage.

The latter hint, however, comes from French sources which are not free of the suspicion that German inspiration is behind the report.

Moscow Parleys

The French suggestion is that five Russo-Japanese Mixed Commissions have been working in Moscow since January studying ways and means to stabilize Russo-Japanese relations.

IT IS SUGGESTED (BY THE SAME SOURCE OR SOURCES) THAT THE FIRST STEP MAY BE AN AGREEMENT FOR THE CONCLUSION OF A NON-AGGRESSION PACT REVISING THE TREATY OF PORTSMOUTH, WHICH IS CONSIDERED TO BE OUTMODED.

There are strong indications, say these French, that Japanese concessions will be forthcoming in exchange for German appeasement efforts between Moscow and Tokyo, and the modification of the Manchurian frontier.

Primary Aim

The primary aim of these tactics, clearly, would be to change the attitude of the Kremlin in the matter of support for China.

Japan is reported to be asking for a ten-year non-aggression pact, plus the conversion of Inner Mongolia, Jehol and Chahar as buffer States.—International News Service.



Although it will be impossible yet to rebuild the portion of Eton College damaged in the air raids, every effort is being made to complete the salvage operations and to make the College habitable again. Care is being taken to save from the debris as much of the panelling, railings and stairs as possible. On the panelling are carved the names of famous Etonians and each piece of wood discovered is being pieced together. Photo shows workmen piecing together some of the broken panelling.

DARLAN THREAT DICTATED BY BERLIN?

IN THE UNITED STATES, as in Britain, consideration is given in the press to the question whether, without weakening the effectiveness of Britain's blockade, some relaxation should be permitted to improve the food position in unoccupied France.

New York reports conversations on Friday between representatives of the State Department and the French Embassy on vital supplies to French children.

There is growing evidence of appreciation in the United States of the difficulties of translating into action sympathy with the people of occupied France who, it is recognized, are suffering primarily from the effects of wholesale spoliation and looting by the Germans.

Significant fact in this connection is that in contrast with the present shortage of food, her supplies were before the war on embargo to her.

The difficulties of the immediate problem are increased owing to the readiness shown by the Vichy Government to collaborate with their oppressors, exposure of whose policy of starving France and putting the blame on the British blockade is now complete.

Darlan Threat

Admiral Darlan's threat to use the French navy to convey supplies was clearly of German inspiration, its purpose being to cause a clash between the British and French navies.

In France, German control of Vichy policy is now widely recognized.

Writing in the "Daily Express," the French journalist Andre Berthou, who strongly argues against lifting of the blockade, says the French people have noticed that Admiral Darlan's statement was made immediately after a Vichy Cabinet meeting and that the statement was mentioned by Admiral Darlan as an outcome of that meeting.

Anticipated

But they were not slow in noticing that his statement was anticipated the previous day by the Nazi-controlled Radio Paris while Admiral Darlan was actually travelling from Paris to Vichy and a few hours after he had talked with Abetz and de Brinon in Paris.

M. Berthou comments "A fine Cabinet meeting, indeed, whose decisions can be announced 24 hours in advance by a foreign power."

Meanwhile German propaganda against the blockade had increasingly become particularly active and, with all Europe's press and radio under German control, unsuspecting persons are apt to mistake this inspired propaganda from the occupied territories as an expression of the true voice of their people.

Noticeable Feature

One noticeable feature is that every concession, however slight, towards relaxation of the blockade has been followed by an immediate intensification of anti-blockade propaganda.

Thus, the limited concession granted to the passage of the steamships "Col" and "Harbour" and "Exmouth" far from being regarded as a gesture of goodwill to unoccupied France, have been seized

upon as a sign of weakness and the starvation plea has since been exploited to the full to serve the dual purpose of relieving Germany of some of her immediate food anxieties and distracting attention from the continued and intensified system of German looting and other forms of exploitation of occupied territories.

Technical Question

The "Spectator," discussing Admiral Darlan's threat, says the practicability of lifting the blockade raises important technical questions, and calls for careful examination of them.

The journal "New Statesman" says it is certain that of the supplies Britain now allows to enter Marseilles more than half have been sent directly to Germany.

It favours a counter to propaganda that comes through Admiral Darlan's mouth by a request for his specific proposals and suggests a statement on behalf of the British Government of readiness to discuss all practical matters.

It is, however, emphatically declared in all quarters that the effectiveness of the blockade must not be permitted to suffer.

"Not Quite Correct"

The comment of a neutral observer — the Vichy correspondent of the "Neue Zürcher Zeitung" — adds weight to these opinions.

The correspondent states: "The economic situation in France in respect of wheat and grain is very serious and it can therefore be understood that Vichy should contemplate extraordinary measures, but on the other hand the French point of view is not quite correct, as supplies of grain which reach French ports in the Mediterranean despite the British blockade would only partly go to the benefit of France." — British Wireless.

TUNGCHENG RETAKEN

A report that Chinese forces captured Tungcheng, in southern Hupeh, on Thursday morning, figures prominently in the Chinese press in Chungking.

A Chinese field despatch from the Hupeh front states the Chinese launched an attack in two columns on the Japanese forces in Tungcheng at dusk on Wednesday.

By midnight, it is added, the Chinese forces completed the occupation of strategic points outside the city and completely occupied Tungcheng at 8 o'clock on Thursday night. — Reuter.

Two Ocean Navy

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

The Bill which when implemented will give the United States a two-ocean navy has been passed almost without dissent by the House of Representatives and sent to the Senate.

The Bill provides for the expenditure of U.S.\$3,446,585,144 on new naval construction for the fiscal year beginning July 1.

Mr. Hachten spurred the House on with a grim warning that "the hungry Axis hordes" will be attacking the United States unless the country is defensively armed to the teeth.

MR. SCRUGHAM VOICED THE "PREPAREDNESS TEMPER" WHEN HE SAID: "HITLER'S SUCCESS OR FAILURE AND THE DOMINATION BY TOTALITARIANISM OF THE WHOLE WORLD LARGELY HINGE UPON WHAT THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS IS PREPARED TO DO IN THE NEXT FEW MONTHS."

The Bill was passed in a tremendous viva voce division, with a single unidentified Nay.—International News Service.

COMING WEDDING ANNOUNCED

The following forthcoming marriage is announced: Mr. Frank Buckle, Chief Instructor in Engineering, of No. 2, Garden Terrace, and Miss Marjorie Dobson, Nursing Sister, of the War Memorial Nursing Home.

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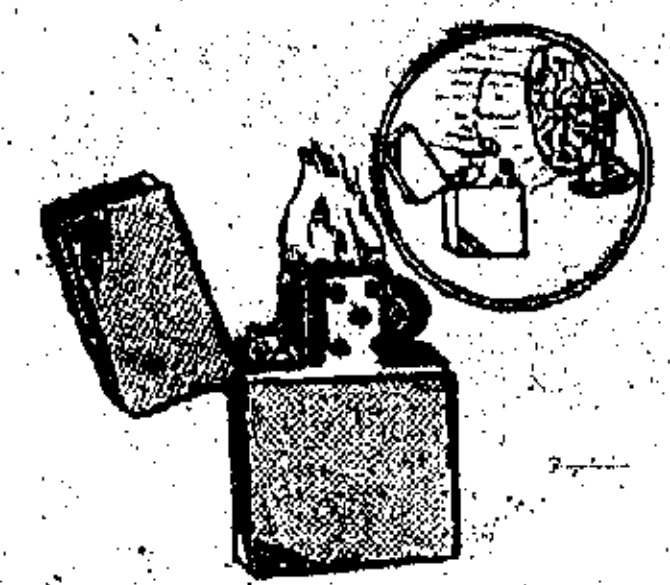
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COMPANY MEETING

BRIGHT OUTLOOK FOR CHINA PROVIDENT

A HIGHLY encouraging outlook for the future
was announced to shareholders at the annual general
meeting of the China Provident Loan and
Mortgage Co., Ltd. held yesterday in the Jacobean
Room of the Hong Kong Hotel.

Those present included Mr. S. M. Churn (Chairman), Mr. Robert Ho Tung, Mr. J. P. Braga, O.B.E., Mr. T. B. Wilson, Mr. N. V. A. Crutcher, the Hon. Mr. Li Tze Fong and the Hon. Mr. Robert H. Kotevich, Kt., C.M.G. (Directors) Messrs. H. C. Lam, A. M. S. Rosario, M. H. Lo, E. J. M. Churn, H. Hunt, A. Vawani, L. S. Chuen and J. Tam-Hung (Shareholders) Mr. R. A. Wickerson (Secretary & Manager).

The Chairman said—The year under review has been a very successful one for your Company, the net result, after reserving for all contingencies and War Taxation on the current profits being \$419,491.23.

You will recall that in my speech last year I observed that the revenue from Rented Yards had fallen from \$270,000 in 1933 to \$35,000 in 1939. Profit from this source in 1940 was \$9,000.

During the year under review we have been, almost continuously, full to capacity, and while we have benefited from the increase of Rice on storage, an analysis of our accounts shows that there has been a corresponding increase from other sources.

Storage Rates

Although during the year we have had opportunities of increasing our storage rates, indeed, we have been offered increased rates for preferential treatment, it has been the policy of your Board to adhere to normal rates and accord preference to our old supporters.

In dealing with amounts payable as War Taxation your Board has adopted a conservative policy. Taxation payable in 1940 has been debited against the balance brought forward from 1939, whilst estimated taxation on profits earned in 1940 has been reserved for and charged against 1940 profits. In this manner, at the cost of the carry forward from 1939, we have made the year in which the profits were earned bear its due proportion of taxation, which otherwise would have been impossible.

Turning to the Accounts, you will have noted that we have this year opened a Profit & Loss Appropriation Account in order to more clearly show the position, and you will further note that the annual appropriation to the Sinking Fund has been increased by \$20,000, which sum has been provided to accelerate depreciation

on certain properties which may be redeveloped in the near future. The sum of \$8,243.87 has been drawn from Building Repairs Reserve during 1940 and \$5,000 added from current profits.

Reserve for Bad & Doubtful Debts has been brought up to \$5,000, which is considered adequate.

Government Bonds

The book value of our holdings of Hong Kong Government Bonds has been written down to market value.

The sum of \$507.24, which has been written back from 1933 Dividend Account represents dividends unclaimed by persons who have ceased to be shareholders and cannot be traced.

The revenue from interest reflects the increased use of the facilities we offer for loans on cargo stored in our godowns. All loans outstanding as at 31st December, 1940, are in good order and are amply secured.

The Balance Sheet presented to this meeting reflects the strong financial position of your Company and calls for little explanation.

During the latter half of 1940 we replaced five of our oldest units with new units which accounts for the increase under the heading Motor Trucks. We have five new trucks on order and when these arrive we shall have replaced all our older units with modern and more economic trucks.

All-In Service

Although this offshoot of our activities returns only a small profit it is of value in providing a facility to our clients and enables us to give "all-in" service of storage, financing, insurance and transport by land and water, which is appreciated by our supporters.

Our holding of Sandakan Light & Power (1922) Ltd. Shares has been adjusted to market value and the surplus of \$273,946.00 credited to Fluctuation Reserve as in previous years. This asset has yielded a return of over 70% and a book value of 9.1% on market value.

Sinking Fund Investments have been increased by the 1940 Appropriation of Principal & Interest which have been met by transfer from our general Investment Account. These two accounts are invested in Hong Kong Government Bonds.

The amount due from Sundry Debtors at the end of the year was \$249,563.79 which is approximately a lakh higher than the previous year and this is attributable to the increased turnover. Of the amount due \$170,277.71 has been collected to date.

Employees Provident Funds have increased by \$10,000.00 to \$39,212.11. In December last year Directors approved a scheme to provide a retiring bonus for those employees whose grade excludes them from participation in the Provident Fund. From June last we have been paying this section of our staff a cost of living allowance based on the index of rice. I am certain that these measures will meet with your approval.

Encouraging Outlook

The prospects for 1941 are encouraging and we have raised four additional godowns which are full to capacity. In December, 1940 we arranged to purchase a property on New Praya, Kennedy Town, and this purchase was completed in the middle of January last. These godowns are now in full use.

The balance available for appropriation is \$407,142.44, being profit for the year ended 31st December, 1940, \$419,491.23 and the amount brought forward from 1939 Account, \$47,651.18.

Your Directors recommend that this balance be appropriated by declaring a Dividend of 50 cents per share and also a Bonus of 25 cents per share absorbing \$221,105.00 and \$110,533.25 respectively, transferring \$50,000.00 to General Reserve bringing this reserve up to \$200,000.00, nearly 10% of our issued Capital, allocating \$25,000.00 to be distributed as bonus to the staff at the discretion of the Directors, and carrying forward to next year the sum of \$60,482.69, and we trust that these suggestions will meet with your approval.

With particular reference to the proposal to allocate \$25,000.00 as Bonus to the Staff, I consider this a suitable opportunity to place on record the Board's high appreciation of the loyalty and devotion which the Secretary and Manager and the rest of his staff have given to the Company, and I feel I can conscientiously say that the proposed allocation is thoroughly justified and should meet with your unqualified support.

You will have noted that we have made a donation of \$5,000 to the Bomber Fund and this year we have made a similar donation.



General de Gaulle was the guest of honour at Foyle's literary luncheon in London the other day when Cardinal Hinsley was in the chair. Photo shows General de Gaulle and Cardinal Hinsley chatting at the luncheon table. — (Copyright Fox.)

Rations For Jam, Syrup

Jam, marmalade, syrup and treacle will from March 17 be rationed together as a group known as preserves. The ration of preserves per head per month will be eight ounces.

Announcing the scheme, the Ministry of Food explained that rationing hitherto has been confined to essential foods which can readily be shared.

Rationing of jam alone would only lead to increased demand for alternatives, marmalades, syrup and treacle. Accordingly these four interchangeable foodstuffs are being treated as a group and although the customer's preference will not be able to insist on having any one particular food from the group. — British Wireless.

DUKE AT MINISTRY OF INFORMATION

The Duke of Gloucester, Chief Liaison Officer, G.H.Q. Home Forces, visited the Ministry of Information yesterday where he inspected news, photographs and censorship. The Duke displayed great interest in the large Press Room where journalists representing newspapers and agencies from all parts of the world prepare and dispatch copy. — British Wireless.

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LOW HITS THE TARGET

Low, the famous cartoonist, yesterday hit the nail on the head with a cartoon captioned "All Set for Counterblast against Roosevelt," depicting Matsuoka in Berlin.

The picture shows Hitler and Mussolini standing behind a big table ornamented with a dozen microphones, giving Nazi and Fascist salutes. While Mussolini's face registers a pained look, Hitler proudly rests one hand on a "twist and bend bill."

Behind Goebbels is a wall splashed with a poster inscribed: "Hitler and Mussolini pledge themselves to become the arsenal of gangsterism." Hitler and Mussolini will stand by Japan so long as Japan is of use to them. Hitler and Mussolini will give Japan tools, including 10,000 tons of General's, 1,000,000 empty oil tins, 100 slightly-bombed flat-bottomed dinghies. Hitler and Mussolini won't spare Japanese efforts to the end that Hitler and Mussolini shall not perish from earth. Heil, Hitler and Mussolini! — Centra News.

Fronting the table, Ribbentrop is shown bending over the tiny figure of Matsuoka, helping him to put on his over-coat and hat. — Centra News.

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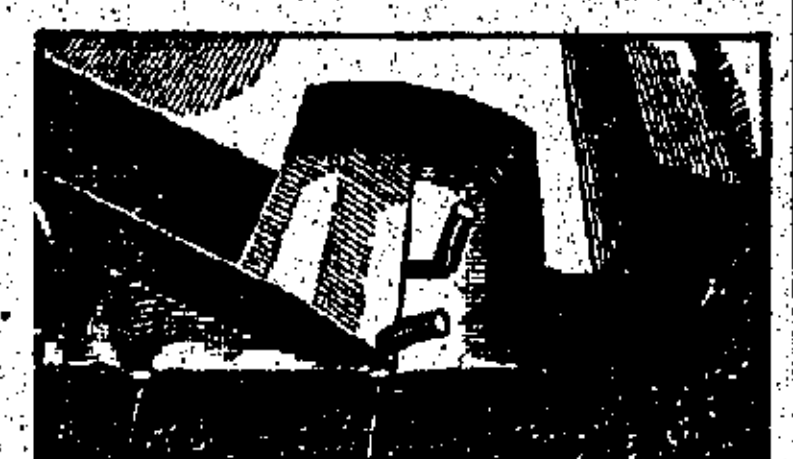
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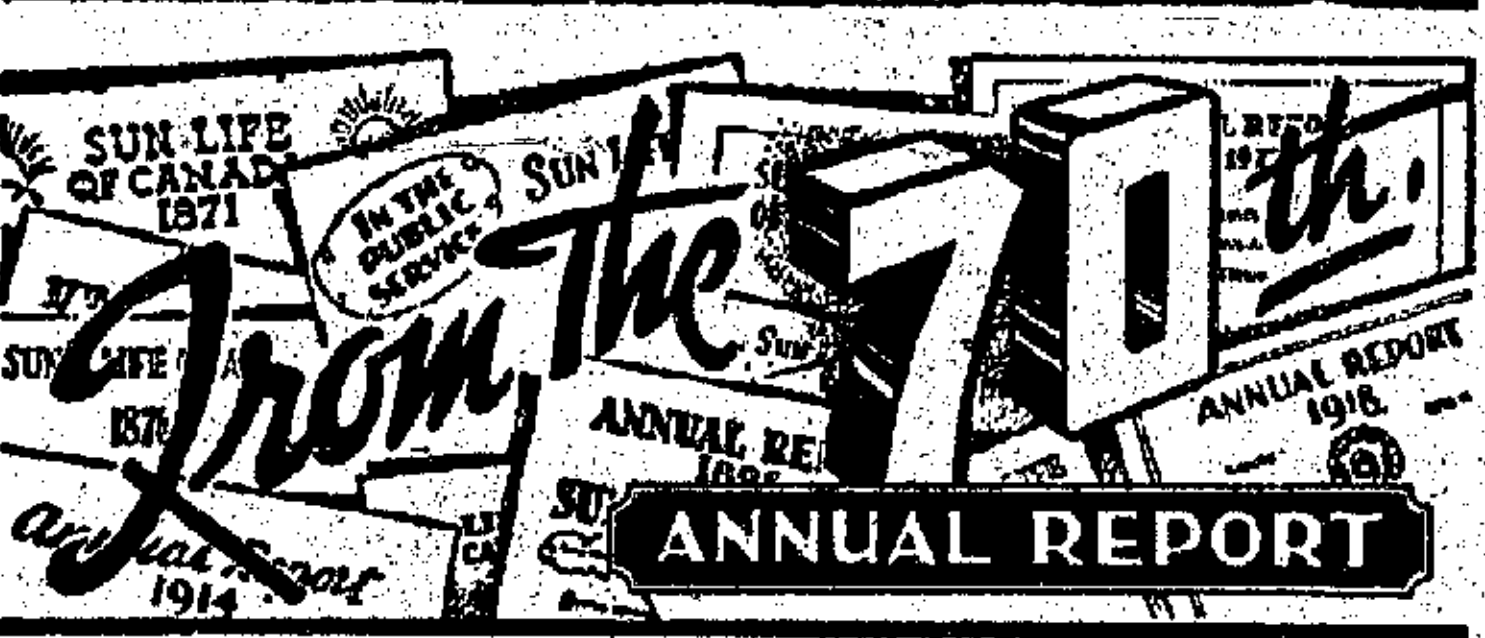


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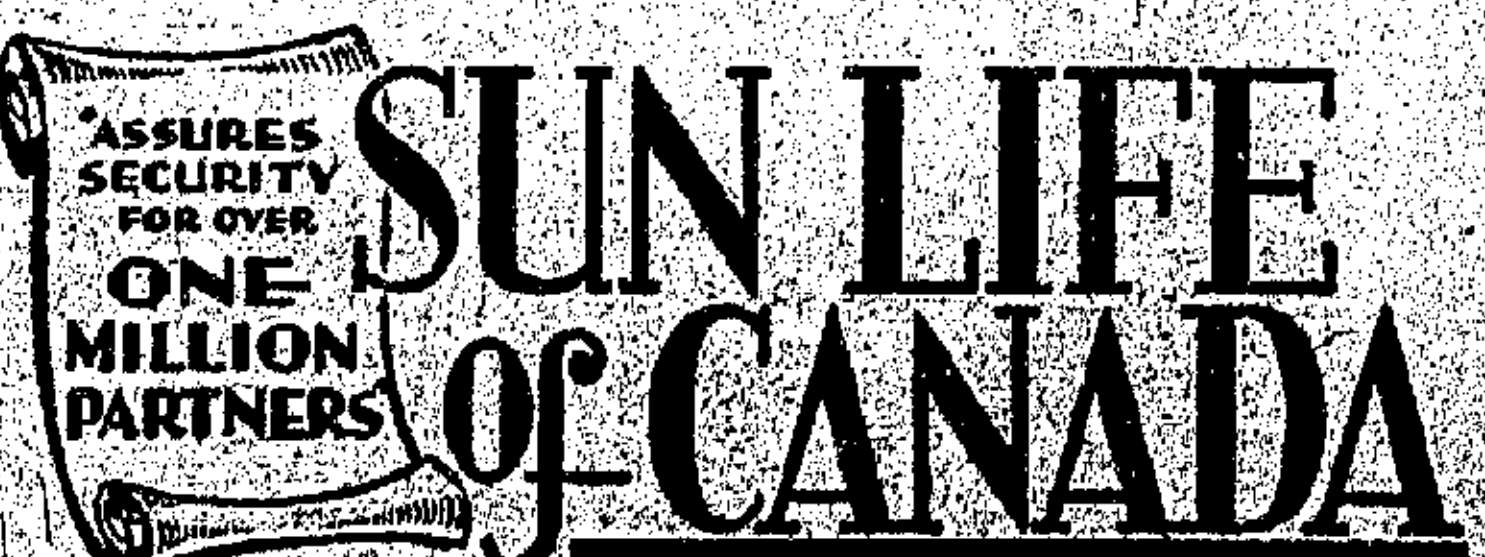
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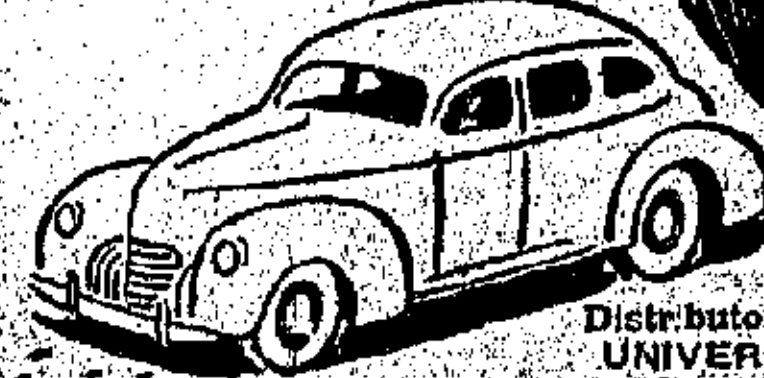
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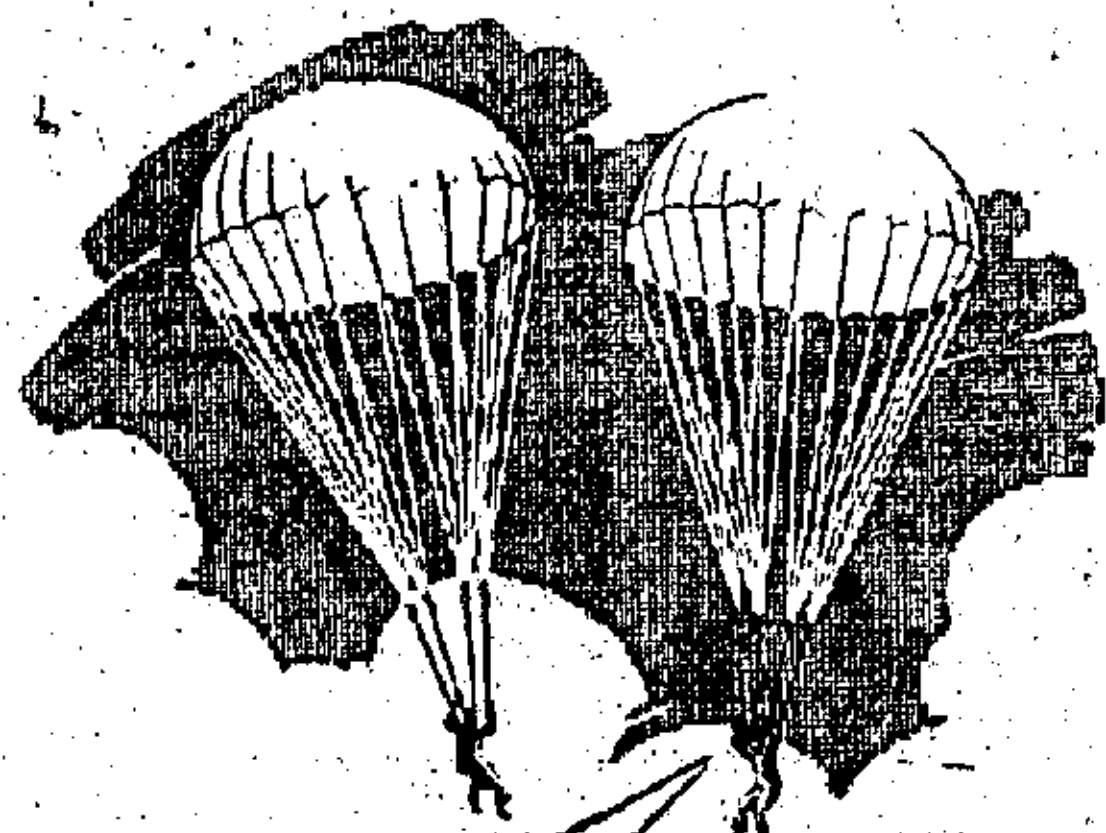
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Britain's Bid To Set Fashion



Londoners had an opportunity of seeing in advance some of the gowns that Britain is sending to overseas markets to help pay for guns, planes and tanks by means of British fabrics and fashions. Photo shows "Jam for Tea" a black velvet dinner gown by Norman Hartnell with sequins and jewelled embroidery.

If London ever gets that museum of textiles which is due to her, there will have to be a notice in the 1940 room, stating that these fabrics were produced while bombs rained and restrictions were almost as numerous. Nobody could guess it from the lovely stuffs themselves. A year ago all the people who make dress materials wondered how on earth they could carry on with no wool, few dyes, restricted stuffs, short hours, silk to be unobtainable and people being told not to spend, and living in three jumpers, two skirts, and one coat.

Well, we certainly do not run to the forty-yard-round gauze frocks of pre-war times, and our interest tends to deepen when we talk of shelter-houses, but we are sending abroad fabrics to suit the galest debutante or her gayer grandmother, the demurest little-girl type, of forty or the most majestic; and to suit them whether they are sleeping, waking, pleasuring, working, or just wearing one dress and thinking about another—that very ancient pastime.

Here are some of the contrasts: Little cottons, with crepe backgrounds, on which simple country flowers are thickly strewn, in those pleasant and essentially clean colours which one associates with early Staffordshire china; and a cloud of real silk, on which flowers bloom here and there in real gold—a tissue for Beauty to wear when there is a ball at the Palace. Or thin wool, draping as softly as silk, on which some indeterminate flowers are massed in a collection of blues so deep that they glow—with a gleam of white or orange—to light them, and an opposite number in a grey-eyed flannel which never heard of wool, which is as smooth and soft as though it never heard of anything else, and which will make a man's summer suit in

strictly Service grey or blue, or catch the faintest tinge of azure or rose if it is to take a pretty girl through the morning hours. Thirdly, we can have blouses of

By Pearl
Adam

silks in checks so brilliant and yet so soft that they look as though the sun had taken to playing chess while setting; and we can have little, tiny, wee, small—in fact, diminutive—checks of gleam-



In simpler mood.

Taken For Granted

Annette is kind and gentle, unassuming and too ready to give up her place to others. She is one of seven sisters who are apt to take her too much for granted.

The family are very ready to please her goodness, but never regard her as a serious rival. Indeed it never occurs to them that she might distinguish herself in any way.

Annette is aware of this. Secretly she longs to achieve something brilliant, just to show them! Somehow all her efforts just miscarry. "Will I ever be a success?" The doubt grows.

She has lost confidence in herself so she seeks to help others. Naturally enough they take advantage of her kindness and leave her all the nasty jobs. If anyone has to play behind Annette's back, it is she. She is invited to parties to play with the children and to arrange picnics. "We must get Annette. She is such a thorough sport." But the other girls get all the fuss and attention.

In every large family you will always find one member who is taken for granted.

Generally less capable and assertive than the others she is at first sat upon and later overlooked by the family. Invariably she grows up with a sense of inferiority. The parents are a great deal to blame.

The boys exceptionally bright have a brother of only average intelligence. Their father kept darning it into Arthur's head that he was no good, fit for nothing, so much so that he was not taught a profession, did not even sit for his Senior. I am not surprised Arthur has turned out good for nothing.

Consciously or unconsciously they show their disappointment. Hoping to cure Marie's defect they continually harp on the subject. "Look at Edith. . . . two years younger. She passed! Out-classes are worse. . . . "When are you going to grow up Marie?"

Marie does grow up. Difficult, quarrelsome, a trouble to others and a misery to herself, or like kind-hearted, easy-going Annette a slave to those who take her for granted.

prise by serving Potatoes this way.

Ingredients: 4 potatoes, 2 ozs. butter, salt and pepper, 3 or 4 ozs. cold cooked minced ham, chicken, beef or mutton, or grated cheese or cooked lentils.

Wash and peel the potatoes in their skins for one hour in a fairly hot oven. Cut a square out of the centre of each potato. Scoop out the potato and mash the removed part with the other ingredients. Push into the potato again, filling the mixture up. Bake in the oven for 10 minutes and serve.

Suggestions For LUNCHEON DISHES

Scotch Eggs

are appetising served hot or cold. Ingredients: 3 eggs, ½ lb. sausages, eggs, breadcrumbs, washed potato or fried croutons of bread. Tomato sauce, if served hot, sprigs of salad if served cold.

Mark the shell on one side of each egg. Place the eggs in cold water in a saucepan and bring to the boil. Immediately they boil turn the eggs over and boil for 10 minutes. It is necessary to turn the eggs so that the yolks can be kept in the middle—the mark serves as a guide. Place at once in cold water. When cool shell carefully.

Skin the sausages, flatten each out on a floured board. Dry the eggs in a cloth and dip them in flour. Cover each egg evenly with the sausage meat. Brush with egg and dip into crumbs. Fry until a nice golden colour in fat that is smoking hot. Drain on soft paper.

TO SERVE HOT: Cut the cooked eggs in half, start wise, using a hot sharp knife. Serve each half on a hot fried round of bread or on a neat mound of mashed potato, which should be hollowed to hold the egg. Serve tomato sauce round the potatoes.

Swiss Eggs

have a spiced cheesy flavour. Ingredients: 1 oz. butter, 4 eggs, 3 tablespoons cream, 2 ozs. cheese, a little grated nutmeg, salt and pepper.

Melt half the butter in a shallow dish, then put in a thin layer of cheese, break in the eggs, add seasoning to each layer. Four in the cream, put on top the remainder of the cheese, grate, also the butter in small pieces. Bake for 15 minutes in a moderate oven.

Macaroni and Cheese Cutlets

Ingredients: 4 ozs. macaroni, 2 ozs. butter, 3 ozs. flour, ¼ pint milk, 3 ozs. grated cheese, cayenne pepper and salt to taste, egg and breadcrumbs, frying fat.

Put the macaroni into boiling water (salted) and cook until tender. Drain off the water and save for the sauce. Chop the macaroni. Melt the butter in a saucepan, add the flour and cook together, stirring well for a minute.

Add the milk and stir well over the fire. Add barely ½ a pint of macaroni water, a little at a time, stirring frequently. Cook the sauce well and keep it very thick. Add macaroni and cheese and pepper to the sauce. Mix and turn out on to a floured board. Shape into cutlets, egg and crumbs and fry in hot fat. Drain well on paper.

Macaroni Cheese

It is itself a nourishing dish for children and grown-ups. Ingredients: 4 ozs. macaroni, 1 oz. butter, 1 oz. flour, ½ pint milk, ½ oz. salt, 3 ozs. grated cheese, ½ teaspoonful made mustard, browned breadcrumbs, pepper and salt.

Break the macaroni into short lengths and cook in plenty of boiling salted water for about 20 minutes. Drain off and reserve ¼ pint of the macaroni water.

Melt the butter in a saucepan, stir in the flour, milk and macaroni water. Boil for 2 minutes, add seasoning and ¼ of the grated cheese. Stir the macaroni into the sauce, then pour into a fireproof dish. Sprinkle with the remaining cheese and browned breadcrumbs. Bake for 20 minutes in a hot oven.

Stuffed Tomatoes

With Spaghetti

Ingredients: 4 or 5 large tomatoes, 3 tablespoons white breadcrumbs, 4 ozs. grated cheese, 1 small egg, cayenne, salt, 4 ozs. spaghetti.

Cut a thin slice from the stalk end of each tomato, scoop out the centre without breaking the skin. Mix the breadcrumbs, 3 ozs. of grated cheese, and seasoning with the beaten egg and fill the tomatoes with the mixture. Put on a greased baking tin and bake for 15 minutes in a moderate oven. Give the family a pleasant sur-

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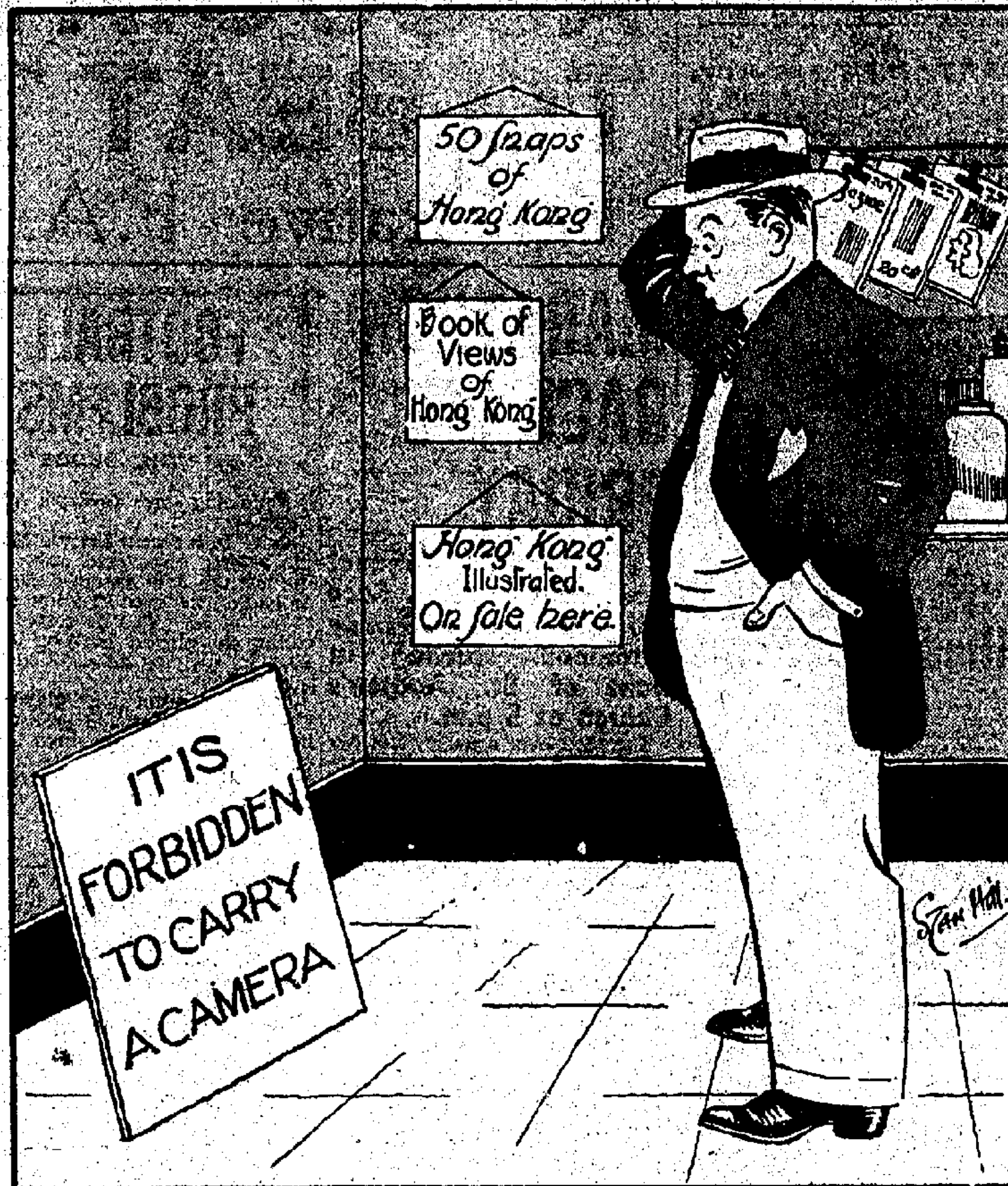
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12.15 p.m.—Beethoven — Concerto No. 5 in E Flat Major, Op. 73 "Emperor".
1st Mov: Allegro; 2nd Mov: Adagio; 3rd Mov: Rondo....
Arthur Schnabel (Piano) and the London Symphony Orchestra, cond. by Dr. Malcolm Sargent.
12.55 p.m.—A Song by Euse Ackland (Contralto). Break Fairies Dawn (Handel).
1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal.
1.01 p.m.—A Noel Coward Programme.
Parisian Pierrot; We Were Dancing ("To-night at 8.30")... Noel Coward (Vocal) with Orchestra.
"Conversation Piece"—Selection... Charles Prentice & His Orchestra.
I'll See You Again ("Bitter Sweet")... Peggy Wood & George Melrose (Vocal Duo) with Orchestra.
Any Little Fish ("Cochran's 1931 Revue")... Noel Coward (Vocal) with Orchestra.
Love Scene from "Private Lives" Act 1 and Act 2... Gertrude Lawrence & Noel Coward.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter & Rugby Press and Announcements.
1.45 p.m.—Bizet's "Carmen" Act III. With Aurora-Buades, Aureliano Pertile, Irma Mion, Ebe Ticozzi, Giuseppe Nassi, Arielfin, Benvenuto Franci and Chorus of La Scala, Milan, with The Milan Symphony Orchestra.
2.30 p.m.—Close down.
5.45 p.m.—Indian Programme.
7.00 p.m.—London Relay — The News.
7.15 p.m.—London Relay — Britain Speaks. Talk by The Hon. Mr. Menzies, Prime Minister of Australia.
7.30 p.m.—A Light Orchestral Programme with Grace Moore (Soprano).
Tango Habanera (Payan, arr. Hartley); Obstinata (Fontenailles, arr. Crook)... Alfredo Campanelli & His Orch.
I Give My Heart (from "The Dubarry")... The Dubarry (from song)... Grace Moore (Soprano) with Male Chorus & Orchestra.
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One Night of Love (from the film); Cymbeline (Dole, Pestalozza)... Grace Moore (Soprano) with Male Chorus & Orchestra.
The Juggler (Grotzsch); March of the Caucasian Chief (from "Caucasian Sketches"—Ippolitov-Ivanov)... Joseph Muscant & His Concert Orchestra.
8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal.
8.02 p.m.—Recital by V. K. See (Bass) and John Smith (Organ) from St. John's Cathedral.
1. Prelude on "The Old Hundred" (Purcell)... John Smith at the Organ.
2. (a) Ah! Mio Cor (Handel); (b) Ave Maria (Schubert)... V. K. See (Bass) with Organ.
3. Sonata No. 4 in A Minor (Rheinberger)—1st Mov: Allegro; 2nd Mov: Andante; 3rd Mov: Fugue (Allegro)... John Smith at the Organ.
4. Two Beethoven Songs—In quieta tomba: Nature's Adoration... V. K. See (Bass) with Organ.

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LOCAL WEDDING

The wedding took place yesterday morning at the Registry Office, of Mr. Yu Tze Hin, Civil Servant, and Miss Lan Sung-fong, teacher, of No. 252, Des Voeux Road, West.

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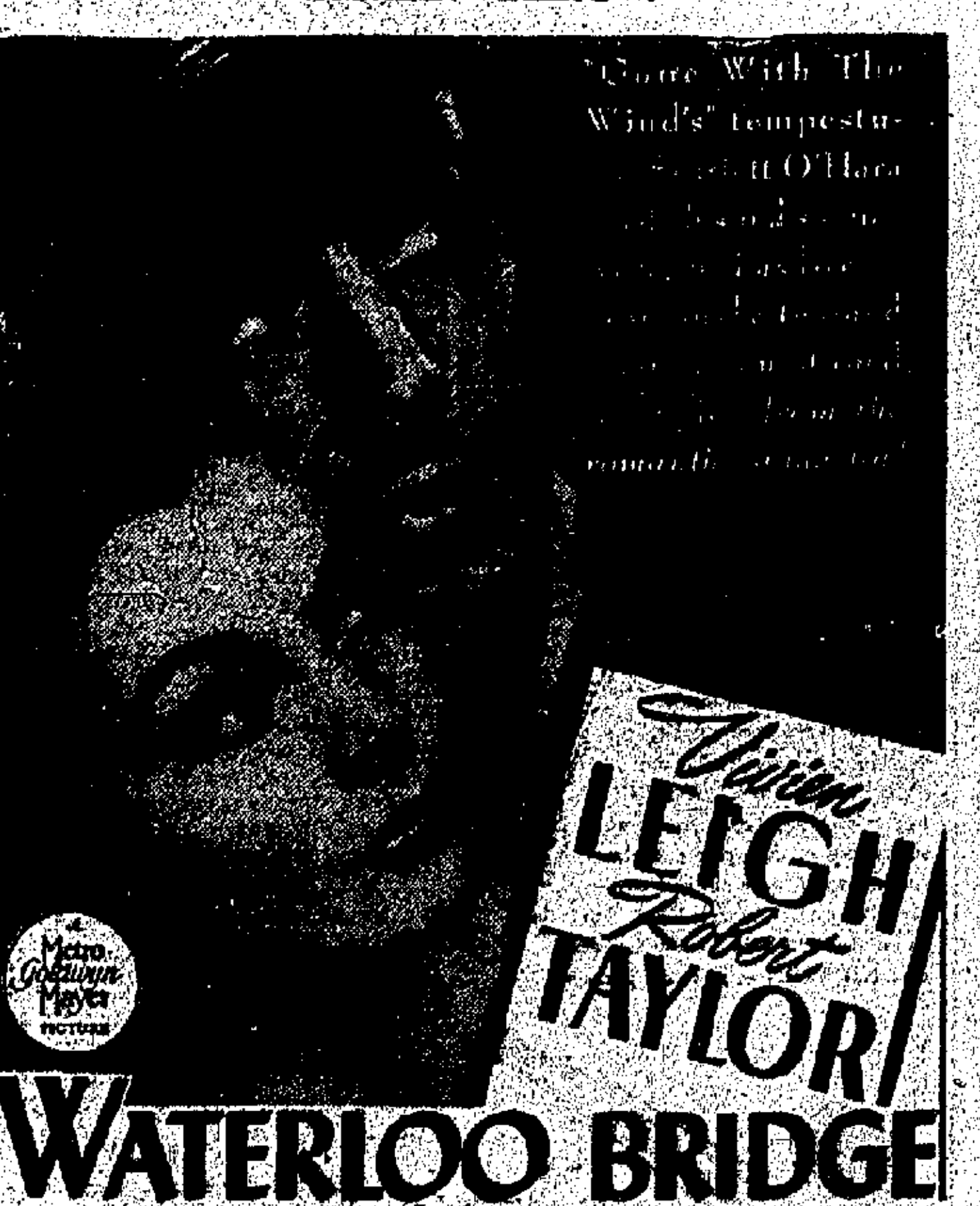
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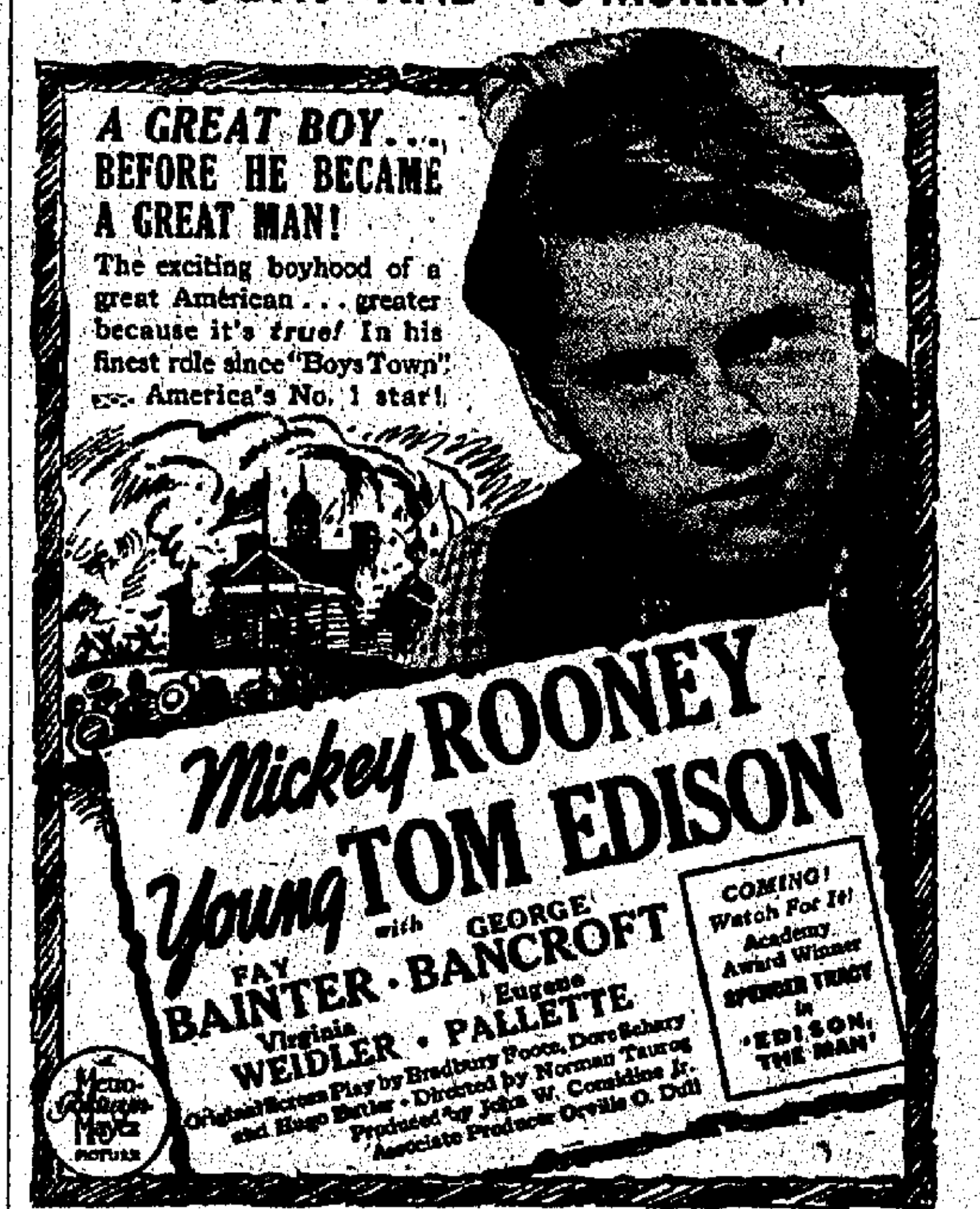
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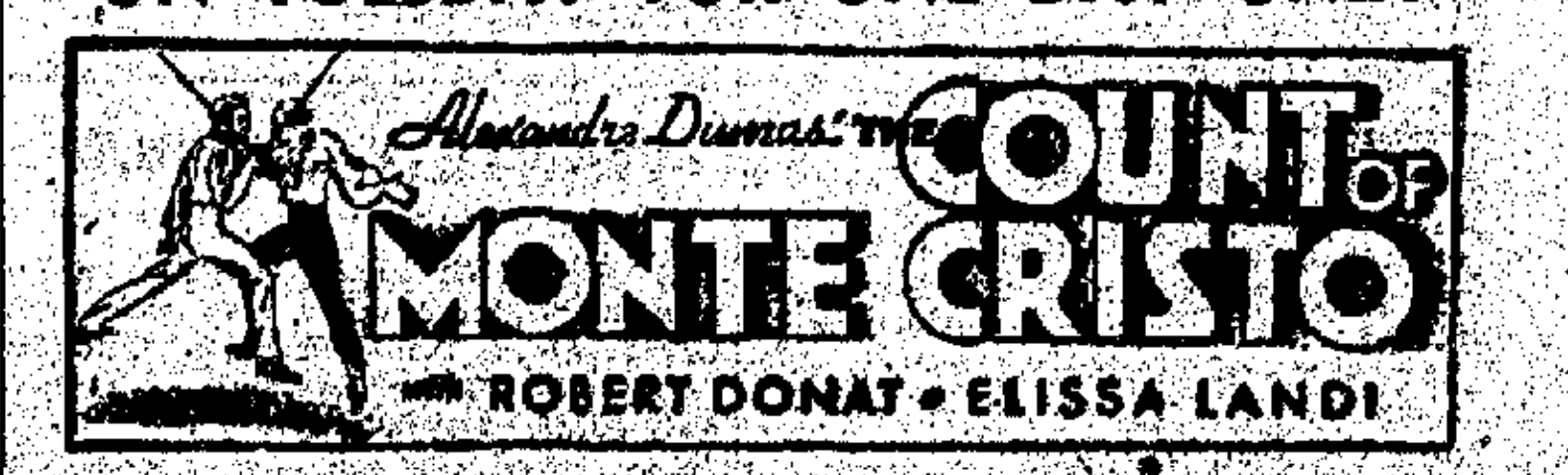
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The race, over a distance of 8 1/2 miles, is open to all Club members, and one special cup will be presented for members of St. Andrew's Club and St. Andrew's Fellowship.

The first three to finish will receive cups, and one special cup will be presented for members of St. Andrew's Club and St. Andrew's Fellowship.

Entries, which should be forwarded as early as possible to Mr. V. R. J. Merrett, of S.C.E. Dept. H.M. Naval Yard, Hong Kong, together with entrance fee of \$1 per runner, will close on Friday.

The course of the race is as follows:—Start in front of the Church, along Nathan Road towards Yau-mai, turning into Waterloo Road at the intersection, along Prince Edward Road towards Kowloon City, turning into Tam Kung Road and along Mui-tau-wai Road up to Kowloon Docks, and by Bulkeley Road along Chatham Road, passing Railway Bridge, into Salisbury Road and turning into Nathan Road at the corner of Peninsula Hotel, to finish at St. Andrew's Church.

Previous Winners
Following is the complete list of previous winners with their times:—

1921 A. Mair (Kowloon Docks) 30 min. 42 sec.
1922 P. J. Jones (H.M. Submarine) 35 min. 21 sec.
1923 L. Armstrong (East Surrey) 35 min. 40 sec.
1924 Bandman Hannan (East Surrey) 35 min. 40 sec.
1925 Ldg. Seaman W. Hobden (H.M.S. Despatch) 34 min. 54 sec.
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1927 Pte. Treman (R.A.M.C.) 34 min. 13 sec.
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1932 L/Cpl. Palmer (S.W.B.) 33 min. 25 sec.
1933 Pte. Smith (Lincoln's) 33 min. 24 sec.
1934 L/Cpl. Farnley (Lincoln's) 34 min. 10 sec.
1935 Pte. H. Smith (Lincoln's) 35 min. 11 sec.
1936 Pte. Jones (S.W.B.) 35 min. 11 sec.
1937 Pte. R. Hamilton (R.U.R.) 33 min. 53 sec.
1938 Pte. Jones (H.M.S. Suffolk) 33 min. 43 sec.
1939 C. Brown (H.M.S. Grampus) 34 min. 37 sec.
1940 Pte. Corrigan (Royal Scots) 35 min. 04 sec.
* Short course.

HOCKEY TOURNEY MATCHES
Following is the Hong Kong Hockey Association tournament programme, and some of the teams for to-day—
10.30 A.M.
Recreio v. Nomads
(Recreio ground, K. Hussain and W. V. Bevan)
Cholas (Police) ground, V. M. Benwell and T. A. Tyas
(H.A.A. "B" Police "A")
(Lyeemmon, W. Wathen and W. R. G. Hodge)
C.B.A. v. Destroyers
(C.B.A., J. Tomlinson and J. German) 11.45 A.M.
H.A.A. "B" v. Police "A"
(Lyeemmon, W. Wathen and W. R. G. Hodge)
TEAMS
C.B.A.—Lookhart, Bull and Taylor; Pullen, Ure and Odell; Smith, N. White, E. Fowler, F. Fowler and Kennedy; Reynolds—S. Soares, H. Soares and R. Xavier; A. Xavier, R. J. Reed and H. C. Gubbay; R. S. Silva, V. L. Mendonca, S. A. Reed, P. Rull and B. Xavier.
Recreio—H. Goncalves, R. Marques and J. Soares; P. Vyanovich, W. Reed and A. M. Alves; H. L. Ozzorio, G. N. Ozzorio, B. T. Gogan, F. X. Siqueira and J. Fonseca.
C.B.A. WEAKENED
Owing to Volunteer duties and other reasons V. C. Bond, T. Whitley and D. O. Parsons are not available for the General British Association in their Hockey Tournament match against Destroyers to-day.
The Police Hockey Association secretary, Reith, will be seen in action this morning in the Association Hockey Tournament, against H.A.A. "A", at Lyeemmon for the Police Junior team.

POLICE TO PLAY VOLUNTEERS
Weather permitting a whole-day friendly cricket match will be played at Happy Valley to-day, when Police Recreation Club entertain an eleven from the Volunteer team. The match will start at 11 a.m.

FOOTBALL PROBLEMS

By "THE JUDGE"

Following are to-day's questions:—

Q.1. In a recent League Match, the referee discovered after the first half that the referee had only played 25 minutes instead of 35. Was he correct in calling the players back on to the field and playing an additional 10 minutes?

Q.2. An attacking player is standing in an offside position in his opponents' penalty-area but is not interfering with, or attempting to play the ball, when a defender deliberately trips him. What action should the referee take?

Q.3. The referee whose knowledge of the Laws of the Game is of a high standard, gave a decision on the field which did not agree with that of the home team's manager. The manager questions the referee at the close of the game and rather forcibly tells the referee he was wrong in his decision. What should the referee do?

Q.4. During the progress of a game a defender handles the ball but it goes to an attacker who is in a very good position to score. The referee sees the incident but allows the play to go on. The attacker fails to score and the spectators set up a howl for a "penalty kick." What should the referee do?

Q.5. The outside right of "A" team is running down the touch line with the ball when a spectator runs on the field and strikes him. The left half of the opposing team immediately follows the spectator off the field and engages in a fight with him. What should the referee do?

(Answers on Page 18)

FOOTBALL SNIPPETS

SMITH, the second class referee, will not be able to officiate for the rest of the season owing to an operation on his knee.

Eastern are leaving for Manila on March 20 and hope to return in time for the Final of the Shield, if they survive their match against Navy in the Semi-Final.

N.E. Lee is arriving in the Colony shortly and will accompany Eastern on the tour to Manila. If Eastern reach the Shield Final he will play for them.

As Kowloon Juniors have fallen behind in their fixtures due to postponements caused by Volunteer camps and military duties, and are not able to play on week-days, they have headed the points to their opponents in the remaining games.

In fairness to Kowloon it must be stated that several games were postponed at the request of their opponents.

A. Odell, who turned out for Club seniors at right-half against Royal Scots last Sunday, played a good game and has the makings of a useful player.

Lee Kwok-wai, South China's full-back, who has not been playing for some time owing to injuries, is now fit and will be playing in the Shield games.

The Final of the Sunday Herald International Charity Cup Competition between Scotland and England will be played on Sunday, March 30, at Boundary Street.

CHUNG HWA & V.R.C. PLAY-OFF FOR TITLE

By "Grandstand"

HIGHLIGHTING TO-DAY'S six-game Softball League schedule on the Kowloon Football Club ground will be the V.R.C.-Chung Hwa Junior League play-off at 9.00 a.m., and the Wildcats-Canadian Chinese pennant-deciding game at 11.45 a.m.

Mainly on hitting power the Wildcats are given the edge on the Canadian Cuties in this tie, and should be able to emerge winners and new possessors of the Lamjig trophy.

Wildcat battery will be: Thelma Collico and Cynthia da Motta, whilst the Maple Leafs will be represented by Mary Ng and Dot Louie.

Umpires will be Skt Powlawski, Caco Marques and Johnnie Fonseca.

At 10.45 a.m. the Wahoes meet the Baby Panthers in what should be another interesting tie, which will wind up the ladies' loop.

Theresa Noonan, the Jackie Anderson will be the Owl battery, whilst Lela Xavier will be chucking them in to Theresa Marques.

Umpires will be Delgado, Fonseca and Geegee Lee.

After waiting for over a month for the play-off, the Chung Hwa nines come to grips with the Victorians at 3.00 a.m. with the pennant at stake. With the Chung Hwa squad in their present depleted

Some Remarkable Chinese Selections

By "Referee"

THE ONLY FIXTURE IN THIS AFTERNOON'S FOOTBALL PROGRAMME IS THE SECOND GAME IN THE GOVERNOR'S CUP SERIES, WHICH WILL BE PLAYED AT CAUSEWAY BAY STARTING AT 3.30 P.M. BETWEEN TEAMS REPRESENTING HONG KONG FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION, AND CHINESE AMATEUR ATHLETIC FEDERATION.

In the first game, played at Caroline Hill, Chinese won by the only goal, scored by Lee Wei-tong, who has not been chosen for to-day's game, and will thus only require to draw to-day's game to retain the trophy.

The Chinese selection committee met early in the week and chose two teams, one in case the Sing Tao players did not return from Manila in time.

The defence and he will be depended upon to hold up the Chinese right-wing.

With the exception of LePage, the forward-line is the Chinese attack which did so well against the Army recently in the Final of the Lai Wah Cup competition.

Howlett will lead the line, supported by Ferrier, his clubmate, and these two will need constant watching, particularly in view of their bustling method.

Reardon and Fowler will be on the left and right wings respectively, and both are fast, centre well and are able to shoot when presented with an opportunity.

LePage, of Navy, who is a dangerous forward when on form, will complete the line at inside-right, and though he is inclined to hang back a bit, his play should suit both Fowler and Howlett.

On paper, Association should win. They have as good a defence as the Chinese and, although their forward-line may not be as fast, it is more penetrative and, on a heavy ground, is liable to upset the Chinese.

Lee Not Chosen
The Chinese have made some remarkable selections. Lee Wei-tong has not been chosen, though he was selected to play in the team which would have included the Sing Tao stars, who, it is now learned, will not be back in time for the match.

Whether it is thought that he would not fit into the forward-line in the absence of Fung King-cheong or whether it is considered that Hui of Eastern is the better man is a matter for conjecture.

Lee Kwok-kee, of Kwong Wah, will be in goal for Chinese and there is little to choose between him and Lau Hin-hon, though the former has played well recently.

Chinese have chosen their strongest backs in Tsang Chung-wan and Ng Kee-cheong having regard to the absence of Lee Tsang-sang, while the intermediate line appears to be the best available.

There is little wrong with the Chinese defence but they will have to be at their best to hold the Association forward line.

Lau Chung-sang, who has been playing in South China's half-back line, will be seen at inside-left, with Hui Ching-to of Eastern on the wing. One would have thought that Chan Man-chi of South China and Hui Ching-to would have made a better left-wing combination.

Hui will lead the attack and will be assisted on the right by Cheung Kam-hoi and S. T. Tsao of Eastern.

Strong Team
Association have chosen a strong team and are confident of winning. Banker, of Royal Scots, and Tsang Chung-wan (S. China), Lo Wai-kuen (Eastern), Hui King-shing (Eastern) and Lau King-choi (S. China), Hui Ching-to (Eastern), Lau Chung-sang (S. China), Hui Man-hoi (Eastern), Cheung Kam-hoi (Eastern) and Tsao Cheung-tung (Eastern).

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Following are the teams: H.K.F.A.—Banker (Royal Scots), Roughley (Navy) and Fraser (Royal Scots) (Capt.); Freshwater (Middlesex), Bright (Middlesex) and Thomas (Middlesex); Fowler (Club), Le Page (Navy), Howlett (Police), Ferrier (Police) and Barlett (Club). Reserves—Lansley (Kowloon), Blackburn (Police), Pope (Police), Barber (Navy), Hossack (Royal Scots), Sheehan (Middlesex) and Henry (Navy). Team Manager—Captain R. E. Guest.

H.K.F.A.—Lee Kwok-kee (Kwong Wah), Ng Kee-cheong (Eastern) and Tsang Chung-wan (S. China); Lo Wai-kuen (Eastern), Hui King-shing (Eastern) and Lau King-choi (S. China); Hui Ching-to (Eastern), Lau Chung-sang (S. China), Hui Man-hoi (Eastern), Cheung Kam-hoi (Eastern) and Tsao Cheung-tung (Eastern).

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BASKETBALL TEAM FOR THE COLONY
CONFIRMATION HAS NOW BEEN RECEIVED FROM MACAO BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION THAT WILL BE SENDING TWO TEAMS TO HONG KONG EARLY NEXT MONTH TO PLAY FOUR MATCHES IN AID OF CHARITY.

It is understood, that during their stay in the Colony, the Macao Girls' Basketball team will play the Combined Hong Kong Stars, and a combined team chosen from schools for girls, while the men's team will be engaged by South China and Sing Tao.

Betting Figures Well Up
In spite of the fact that the rains, which fell during the Annual Race Meeting must have kept a large number of people away, it is interesting to note that for the five days of racing the public invested \$1,477,780 in win tickets on the pari-mutuel as against \$1,119,785 for the five fine days of the 1940 Race Week.

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It must be mentioned, however, that as against 12 races on the card for each of the first four days of racing this year, there were only 10 races on the first day of the 1940 Meeting and 11 on each of the next three days, so that there were five races more this year than last.

The numbers of starters for the two years were 987 in 1941 and 828 in 1940.

ENGLISH CUP SAFE

The English Cup (better title than F.A. Cup, though not so correct) survived the Portsmouth blitz—but only just.

Until a few days recently it was in a bank which was destroyed. Someone had a hunch, and it was moved to another bank. This had a time bomb near, but the Cup is safe.

RACES AGAIN OFF

Owing to the sudden state of the track and the uncertain weather, the First Extra Race Meeting, which had been postponed from March 8 to yesterday, was further postponed yesterday until next Saturday, March 22, an announcement to this effect being made by the Jockey Club authorities yesterday morning.

This further postponement came as a disappointment to the racing public, but the decision of the Stewards to ensure that racing for the rest of the first half of the season would not suffer through damage to the track must be acknowledged to be the wisest one under the circumstances.

MACAO MEETING POSTPONED

The next race meeting of the Macao Jockey Club, originally scheduled for March 23, has been postponed to April 6.

The remaining programme for the first half of the year will be:—

First Extra Meeting, Saturday March 22
Second Extra Meeting, Saturday March 29 (as originally arranged though entries for this meeting will now close on Monday, March 24, instead of March 20, as previously announced).

Third Extra Meeting, Saturday April 12 and Monday April 14.
Fourth Extra Meeting, Saturday April 20.

Fifth Extra Meeting, Saturday May 10.
Sixth Extra Meeting, Saturday May 17 and Monday June 2.

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By "Adrem"

ONE OF THE FINEST attacking centre-three-quarters Colony Rugby has known would aptly describe H. D. "Grannie" Bidwell, who, though out of the game in the earlier part of the season, produced brilliant form in the recently concluded Seven-A-Side Rugby Tournament.

Extraordinarily cool in all that he does on the field of play, he makes full use of an exceptionally shrewd Rugby brain, added to which he is one of the finest drop-kickers ever to have played on the Club ground—he can well remember now seeing him easily drop a goal from 40 yards.

BIDWELL, educated at Beaumont College, was awarded his Rugby colours at an early age, being a member of the fifteen for four years. He played several matches for Rosslyn Park Public Schools and had a curious experience in another representative match—the North v South. He was tried out for the South and was selected as a reserve whereupon the North included him in their team and he played against the side for which he had been tried!

In his last season, when captain of the fifteen, he very nearly secured his cap as a schoolboy international, being reserve for the English Public Schools in their annual match against the Scottish Public Schools.

TRAVELS EAST
Leaving school in 1933 Bidwell left for Shanghai, arriving just before Christmas. He immediately joined the Shanghai Rugby Football Club and two months later, as a member of the Shanghai Interport team, he travelled to Hong Kong.

In the Shanghai team of that year, Bidwell was an old acquaintance in Peter Blix, who had played with him in the Rosslyn Park Public Schools team, and who had been at Beaumont College at the same time as the famous international, Prince Obolensky, recently killed in action, while serving with the R.A.F. Blix has been another casualty, being lost at sea whilst going home to join up.

Shanghai lost the Interport that year by 3-6, although they had a very powerful team, which included, in addition to the names mentioned above, J. P. Master, killed in action with the R.A.F., A. J. H. Bowman, John Young, the captain, R. G. Geer, now in Hong Kong, and Peter Hampey, who scored three points for Shanghai. The result was a penalty goal dropped by Bidwell.

Since that date Bidwell has never missed an Interport Rugby match, playing either for Hong Kong or Shanghai on every occasion that the matches have been held.

BEST MATCH
BIDWELL considers the Interport match of the season of 1936/7 the finest match he has either played in or seen out East, although from the score, 14-3, in favour of Hong Kong, it might be thought that it was one-sided. Actually, however, the match was very fast and an excellent standard was maintained throughout.

Some members of the Colony team of that year were—J. L. Bonnar, I. H. Bradford, A. F. Butcher, A. W. Holden, E. F. Humphreys, K. A. Munro, W. K. Peers, J. A. Redman, A. F. Walker, K. A. Watson and J. P. Whitlam.

Bidwell also played against the touring New Zealand Universities team on their return visit in February 1938, when Hong Kong lost by 26-11, and in 1939 he played as wing-threequarter for the All-Hong Kong team which entertained and beat Malaya by 18-11 after leading by 6-3 at the interval.

Bidwell is of the opinion that the most powerful combination he has seen out East was the Colony team against Malaya. This was a selection of all the best players in Hong Kong, including the Services, as against the teams in the purely inter-club affairs that constitute the Interports with Shanghai.

The local team was—Pay-Lieut. J. E. Stevens (Navy); D. H. Stewart (Club); P. O. T. Askwith (Navy); W. B. Grieve (Club); and H. D. Bidwell (Club); Lt. W. Elliott (Navy) (captain) and J. R. Henderson (Club); K. A. Watson (Club); K. W. Satter (Club); and 2/Lt. N. H. Cuthbertson (Army).

SPLENDID OPENING
BADMINTON MATCH
Eardley Misses Great Chance Of WinningK.W. CHOY TO
MAKE DEBUT
ON THURSDAY

By "Adrem"

Colony badminton championship matches will be played on three days of this week—tomorrow, Tuesday and Thursday—but only on the last day is the fare likely to provide much of interest.

On Thursday K. W. Choy will make his first appearance when he partners K. B. Low against J. J. Remedios, the experienced Recreo player, and the promising Henry Gonsalves. The University pair are not likely to lose this encounter, but the standard of Remedios and Gonsalves is such as to ensure that the undergraduates are sufficiently extended as to give a good idea of their capabilities.

Week's Programme

Following is the programme for the week:

TO-MORROW
(At King's College)
Men's Doubles Junior—P. C. Leung and K. F. Chiu v E. A. H. Alves and E. B. Bolech, (7.00 p.m.). C. C. Pereira and A. E. Xavier v J. Hooi and T. B. Teoh, (7.45 p.m.). R. A. Yvanovich and B. T. Gosano v A. L. Fisher and P. Wynter-Blyth, (8.30 p.m.). Mixed Doubles—E. Zimmern and Miss Oliveira v P. Wong and Miss Ribeiro, (9.15 p.m.).

TUESDAY
(At Club de Recreo)
Men's Doubles Junior—J. L. Anderson and W. Gilles v W. T. Ho and A. C. Cheung, (7.00 p.m.). Men's Singles Junior—E. M. Lavallo v Peter Lo, (7.45 p.m.); T. S. Young v J. Tsang, (8.30 p.m.). Mixed Doubles—E. Gillespie and Miss Wong v H. C. Eardley and Miss Eardley, (9.15 p.m.).

THURSDAY
(At Talkoo Club)
Men's Singles Junior—E. Zimmern v J. Hooi, (8.00 p.m.). Men's Doubles Senior—K. W. Choy and K. B. Low v J. J. Remedios and H. F. Gonsalves, (8.45 p.m.); D. Kwok and Mrs. Wilson v M. A. Oliveira and Miss Silva, (9.15 p.m.).

WEDNESDAY'S MATCH

Only one match in "B" Division of the Badminton League will be played on Wednesday, Kowloon Town meeting Police in their final fixture.

fore had captured the imagination of every schoolboy in England by going in late in the year, and going to Australia and hitting up a brilliant century; there was R. W. V. Robins, who had played with distinction in the same match; F. T. Mann, the Middlesex skipper and big hitter, and lastly George Hirst and Wilfred Rhodes. In that match against Beaumont, Rhodes and Hirst, opened the bowling and Allen and Robins were merely changes. Bidwell battled against all four, although he did not make many runs. The two veterans produced all their guile for the benefit of their youthful opponents, but Allen, much to the relief of the school eleven, did not bowl at his fastest pace, although, says Bidwell, his medium stuff was quite fast enough to trouble them.

The visiting eleven won easily, needless to say, and although the school was treated to some classic batting, the stroke that remains in Bidwell's mind was a "tennis" shot played by Robins, who had been dancing down the pitch at the time. The ball was bowled at his head by Cantopher. The ball went crashing past cover like a bullet! Cantopher, it is interesting to note, passed through Hong Kong last year on his way to Shanghai, where he is now stationed.

Widens's gives Bidwell's school record as follows:
Runs, Runs H.S. N.O. Ave.
1930 12 200 44 3 22.22 (2nd)
1931 12 188 42 3 15.68 (5th)
1932 17 444 81 6 40.33 (1st)
1933 16 516 92 3 39.69 (1st)

He was tried for the Lord's School team but was never selected.

INTERPORTS

ARRIVING in Shanghai Bidwell was selected to play against Hong Kong the following year. He opened both innings with Stokes but on each occasion was clean-bowled by Clive Garbutt for low scores. In the trials held prior to this match, which Shanghai won by 270 runs thanks to an innings of 161 by Stokes, Bidwell made the only century he has scored out East.

He played regularly for the Shanghai Cricket Club Nomads—the team led by Donald Leach—until he came to Hong Kong, where the clashing of the Rugby and cricket seasons has given him little opportunity for cricket.

In 1938, at about the time of

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Brilliant Form
Shown By Au

By "Adrem"

The Colony badminton championships started in the course of the week and, judging by the interest displayed in the programme on Friday at Club de Recreo, they should be even more successful than previous years.

The big match of the week was the meeting of C. Au, of Chinese Y.M.C.A., and Henry Eardley, of St. John's. This match did not go beyond two games and the standard was never consistently high, but it was a thrilling game in which a reversal of the result would have occasioned no surprise.

Eardley won the first two ends of the match but after that he did not get in front for the remainder of the game. Au, disguised his shots with great skill and although Eardley was covering court fast enough, he was forced into making defensive returns which Au took away with great accuracy for winners.

Eardley was most unfortunate in this game and I can recall at least a dozen instances when his clearing shots landed on the wrong side of the baseline by the merest fractions.

The former Shanghai champion played his usual big-hearted game and at no stage did he give up trying, but he was definitely out of touch. This was particularly noticeable in his service, his deep short. His short game, especially in the opening session, was very tentative, thus allowing Au to adopt the initiative which he rarely lost.

Fine Rallies

Eardley played well in the second game, when he had gained control over most of his strokes, scoring occasionally with a very pretty cross-court shot with a very no answer. Au, however, after losing his control and he continued to pull out brilliant shots when in apparently hopeless positions.

Eardley had one inspired spell and went into a lead of 8-5. At that stage appearing to have shot his bolt. The Chinese player rallied well, however, and, scoring steadily, made up the deficit and went on to win.

He failed with an overhead drop for game and Eardley, taking a new lease on life, threw all his reserves into an exciting rally that took the score to 14-11.

Au elected to "set" and a long service-changes saw no addition to the score. Eardley then secured two aces, only for Au to come up with a burst to win the game.

There is little doubt that if Au had lost that second game Eardley would have been in a position to win the match, as the latter was improving progressively. It was a splendid game, thoroughly enjoyed by all the spectators.

Kwoks Fall Away

Also on Friday, the Kwok brothers, after starting well, lost to the Chung Wah combination of S. C. Liang and C. F. Chiu. David Kwok's brilliance, combined with the obvious nervousness of Liang, enabled the Kwoks to win the first game with ease, but when David fell off in the second game and the Chung Wah pair settled down, there was never very much doubt as to the outcome. Best player on the court was David Kwok, but Chiu was very steady and produced some very nice strokes.

Thursday's programme was not nearly as interesting. Anderson, in beating H. Weng-tob, showed that he will be a force to be reckoned with in the senior championship, while Hooi, former senior triple title-holder, was not sufficiently extended by Amplanavan to enable any accurate estimate to be made of his current form.

The Munich crisis, the Hong Kong team, for which Bidwell had been selected, had completed all arrangements to travel North, passengers having even been booked, but at the eleventh hour the trip was cancelled because of the international situation. Thus Bidwell missed the unparalleled distinction of having represented both Shanghai and Hong Kong at Rugby and cricket. Lolie Goldman has played Interport Rugby and soccer for both ports.

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NEW THREAT?

Much has been heard this season of the challenge that K. W. Choy of University, is expected to make in the Colony Badminton Championship, but it is now learned that there is another undergraduate who is little inferior to either P. K. Hooi, or Choy. He is M. P. Young, formerly of Cambridge University, who will meet Hooi in the second round.

RUGBY
DRAW IN
KOWLOON

At Boundary Street yesterday, Combined Club and Police shared the spoils with Combined Services in their Rugby match when they scored a goal and a try (8 points) to a goal and try (8 points) after leading at the interval by five clear points.

Both three-quarter lines were good, but Club had the better halves in Clemo and Thomson, who were superior to Carter and Morgan.

Day was very prominent in the Club defence and was seen in several characteristic runs. Kennedy was the pick of the forwards, while Wright-Noth and Needham also played well.

Richards was brilliant in the Services' back division and with Paul formed a dangerous wing. The three-quarter line was fast and had luck several times forward passes invariably holding them up.

Taylor opened the scoring for Club and Police in the first half when he converted a penalty try awarded against Fairclough for obstruction against Thompson. Services nearly scored soon after through Combes, but he was well tackled. Paul was then unfortunate with a penalty kick from a difficult angle, the ball hitting the cross-piece, and shortly after Richards was only just bundled over the line. Soon after half time Paul again missed a penalty kick, and Combes failed to land a penalty goal before Sutherland went over from the loose for a try which Paul easily converted. Services took the lead when Carter sent McGhee away, and he passed to Combes, who scored in an easy position, only for Paul to fail with the kick. Later in the game Club equalised through Charlier in the corner, Macrae failing to add the goal points.

Combined Services—Fairclough (Army); McGill (Navy); Combes (Army); Paul (Navy) and Richards (Army); Carter (Navy) and Morgan (Army); Bonpas (Army); Hestit (Army); Sutherland (Army); King (Navy); Pinkerton (Army); Berry (Army); Heath (Army) and Gillam (Army).

Club and Police—Thompson (Club); Reynolds (Police); Charter (Club); Day (Club) and Stewart (Club); Thomson (Club) and Clemo (Club); Kennedy (Club); Taylor (Club); Wright-Noth (Police); Heasman (Club); Wallden (Club); Cullinan (Police); Macrae (Club) and Needham (Club).

Services Win

Combined Services "A" beat Combined Club and Police "A" by two goals and a try (13 points) to a goal and a try (8 points) after leading at the interval by 8-5.

Combined Services opened the scoring through Keeble, but Barclay failed to add the goal points. A neat movement then enabled Bowden to go over and Keeble had no difficulty in converting. Gratton then scored Club's first try and Cusleston converted.

In the second period Services went further ahead through a try from Gracie which Keeble converted. Gratton again reduced the lead with a good run down the wing, but the try was not converted.

Combined Services "A"—Barclay (Army); Wilson (Navy); Gracie (Army); Danger (Navy) and MacDonald (Army); Keeble (Army) and Bowden (Navy); Turner (Army); Deane (Army); Palmer (Navy); Stockham (Air Force); Clark (Navy); Flynn (Navy); Edlison (Army) and Page (Army).

Club and Police—Jackson (Police); Van Leeuwen (Club); Didsbury (Club); Godfrey (Club) and Gratton (Club); Wilson (Club); Barclay (Club); Castlein (Club); Dempsey (Police); Lewis (Police); Jenner (Police); Benn (Club); Olsen (Club); Lee (Club) and Searle (Police).

ROZA RETURNS

A. W. de Roza, former Jockey, and a keen lawn bowler and badminton player, has returned from a leave spent in Australia.

SAWAR KHAN RUNS
WELL JUDGED RACE
IN QUEEN'S C. RELAY

ALTHOUGH THE sodden state of the ground and the stiff breeze blowing across the field were not conducive to good athletics, the competitors at the 26th Annual Athletic Meeting of Queen's College, held on the College Ground, Causeway Bay, yesterday, were by no means discouraged and the result was a very enjoyable afternoon's sport both for competitors and spectators.

As may readily be imagined, the adverse conditions made for slower times than otherwise might have been recorded, and no records were lowered, though the times returned reflected a good standard. Fong Hin-yeung won the Senior Championship, while Kwong King-wah carried off Junior honours with 18 points.

Most interesting event of the afternoon was the Invitation Relay Race, in which La Salle College wrestled honours from Wah Yan College after a close tussle.

Advantage Lost
In the Senior Inter-Class Relay Race, "Matrix" were forced to take second place to Class 2C in spite of a fine start given them by Sawar Khan, who ran a well-judged 440 yards to give his side the lead, only to see this advantage lost by the second string. The handicap thus suffered proved too much and Class 2C won with many yards to spare.

At the conclusion of the races, Mr. M. G. O'Connor, Headmaster, welcomed the visitors and said he was very pleased to see so many old boys present. Mrs. Chau Kwan Lam then distributed the prizes.

Full Results
Long Jump (Senior): 1, Mok Shiu-kwan; 2, Au-yeung Kwok Gin; 3, Chak Ming-lee. Distance: 17½ ft. (Junior): 1, Chung King-kwan; 2, Kwong King-wah; 3, Yu Tse-tat. Distance: 16½ ft.

100 Yards (Senior): 1, Fong Hin-yeung; 2, Kan Chik-to; 3, Chung Yim-bor. Time: 10/4½ secs. (Junior): 1, Ng Yuen-kwan; 2, Chung King-wah; 3, Kwong King-wah. Time: 20 secs.

Old Boys' 100 Yards Handicap: 1, Yam Wai-hing; 2, Fung Kee-choing. Invitation Relay Race: 1, La Salle College; 2, Wah Yan College. Inter-Class Relay Race (Senior): Class 2C; (Junior): Class 4D; (Small Boys): Class 7A.

Consolation Race: 1, Lai Pak-ho; 2, Ng Chee-ming. Senior Championship: Fong Hin-yeung, 16 points. Junior Championship: Kwong King-wah, 18 points.

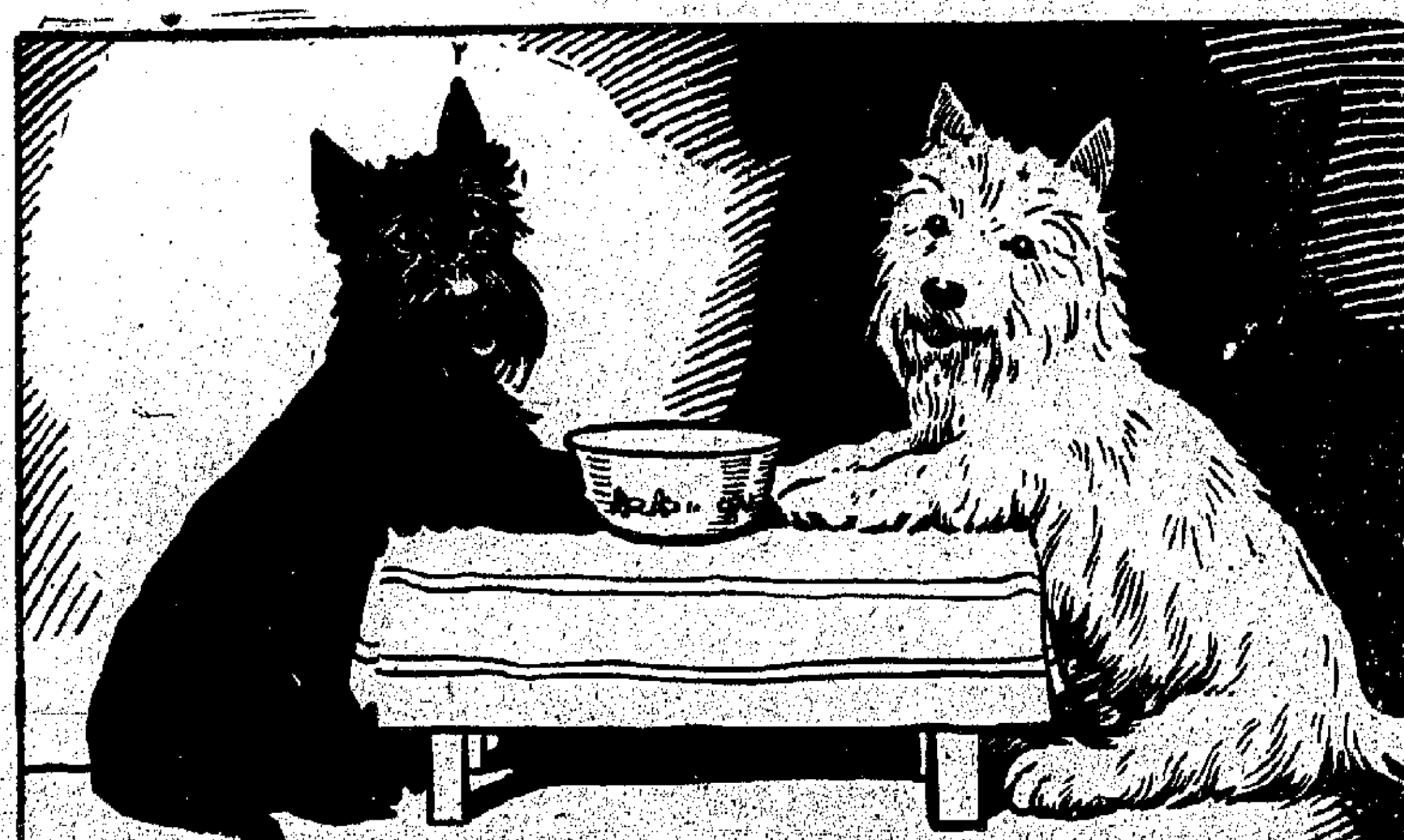
INTER-CLASS COMPETITIONS
Prizes in the inter-class competitions, won during the year, were also presented. They were as follows—Basketball (Senior): Class 2B; (Junior): Class 6B; Volleyball (Senior): Class 4A; (Junior): Class 5B; Ping Pong: 1, Class 4A; 2, Class 2B.

Chess, Class 2A. Individual Ping-Pong Championship: 1, Woo Wing-sheng; 2, Mak Chun-yuen; 3, Yeung Ham-piu. Individual Chess Championship: 1, Ho Woon-ying; 2, Ho Sik-kee.

NEW GYM. FOR H.K.

It is understood that a Chinese syndicate is making negotiations to open a gymnasium and Turkish bath in the city and that suitable premises have already been found. There only remain a few minor details to be completed.

Frank Lamont, who was a member of the Hong Kong Hockey Club 1st XI some years ago, and who used to play cricket occasionally for H.K.C.C., has taken to tennis quite seriously in Bangkok. A more than average left-handed player, he ought to do quite well with sufficient practice.

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GEGG EQUALS 10-YEAR-OLD 100 YARDS 'VARSITY RECORD

AIR FORCE ARE STILL IN RUNNING FOR THE JUNIOR DIVISION TITLE

AIR FORCE remained in the running for Third Division Football League honours by beating 20th Royal Artillery by 6 goals to 1 after being led at the interval by the only goal scored.

A.S.A. did well to obtain their second point this season when they shared four goals with Shell.

Int'l. 12th Bty. 3

At the Valley, 12th Battery defeated International by 3 goals to 1 after leading 1-0 at half time.

Lane tried his best to get the Battery forwards moving but many of his passes went astray, or were intercepted by International's speedy halves. Brown was the pick of the forwards and had been backed up better by his wingmen, the score would have been heavier.

Wilkinson and Elms were undoubtedly the mainstay of International. They broke up many threatening raids by the Gunners. Campos was the only forward to attempt to pierce the Gunners' defence, and on one occasion he outwitted the whole defence and rounded his effort off with the first-time shot which had Westwood beaten all the way.

Spence was quite the best of the defence. Clearing vigorously, he was largely responsible for breaking up the onslaughts of Clark and Craven. The Gunners had a good leader in Clark, who was always a source of worry to the Sappers' defence, and with better luck with his shooting, the result might have been much closer. Dobbinson was very prominent on the wing and flashed across some very useful centres, but his activities close to goal were checked by Spencer, who marked him very closely. Of the halves, Waddington was a strong tackler and worked extremely hard in breaking up the Sappers' onslaughts, but he lacked the support of the two men behind, neither of whom could get a full measure of their opponents.

R.A.M.C. 0 36th R.A. 3

36th R.A. defeated R.A.M.C. by three clear goals at the Valley, all scoring taking place in the first half.

R.A.F. 6 20th R.A. 1

R.A.F. accounted for 20th R.A. by 6 goals to 1, after being 1-0 behind at the interval. After the interval Gunners fell away badly, and their defence was over-run, and only sterling efforts by the half-back trio prevented the Airmen from reaching double figures. Mansfield and Barlett, the winners' left-wing pair, showed perfect combination and proved a constant source of worry to the Gunner defence. Goodwin, responsible for a number of the goals, positioned well and his centres provided numerous opportunities for the inside forwards. Ho Kar-keung led the line with plenty of dash and skill, but he was slow to seize the scoring chances presented. Edmunds played his usual resourceful game and was well supported by Henley.

7th R.A. 2 R.E. 4

R.E. defeated 7th R.A. by 4 goals to 2 at the Valley, after sharing two goals at the interval. Jones led the Sappers' attack with speed and vigour, making full use of the opportunities given him. He was very ably supported by Dougan, who cleverly beat the defence on several occasions before sending over very accurate crosses. Hume and Hill were always well to the fore, the latter particularly sending across fine centres. Spence played solidly in the pivotal position, distributing with accuracy and at the same time keeping a watchful eye on Clark. With Cork, he did much to nullify the Gunner attacks.

A.S.A. 2 Shell 2

A.S.A. managed to hold Shell to a 2-2 draw, but in the last 10 minutes were fortunate to gain one point, as the Shell forwards were then applying pressure, and only poor shooting of Man Chi-ki prevented them from earning maximum points. Shell played better than their (Continued at foot of Next Col.)

Two New Marks In Ladies' Events Mazuza Wins Victor Ludorum As Freshman

By "Adrem"

NOTWITHSTANDING FRIDAY'S RAINFALL AND THE UNPROMISING WEATHER YESTERDAY MORNING, THE ANNUAL UNIVERSITY ATHLETIC MEETING HELD AT POKFULUM YESTERDAY WAS AN OUTSTANDING SUCCESS, THE TRACK BEING IN VERY FAIR CONDITION.

A large crowd was present to watch an excellent afternoon's sport. Two ladies' records were broken and W. S. Gegg returned the best result of the meeting when he equalled the 10-year-old record for the 100 Yards, being clocked at 10 seconds dead.

A remarkable feature was the complete overshadowing of last year's "stars." Y. S. Lam, who was the Victor Ludorum at the last meeting, and J. C. Fenton, whose spectacular sprinting was the highlight last year, were just average competitors this year, the new individual champion being the former Diocesan Schoolboy, E. Mazuza, who is in his Freshman year, while Gegg, who was the outstanding sprinter, has taken no part in the sports hitherto.

Unlike last year, when the Inter-Hotel championship was in doubt until the last event of the day, yesterday's meeting was virtually decided before the programme was half-way through, Lugard by that time having established an unassailable lead, and going on to win the shield by his huge margin of 67 points from their nearest rivals, Elliot, Morrison, the holders, were fourth.

The standard in the ladies' events showed a marked all-round improvement. Miss Hajara, Curcum proving an athlete of versatility and no mean ability. She broke the record for the 50 Yards by three-tenths of a second, and then went on to better the Long Jump mark by 4.5 inches.

Lugard's Big Lead

Several finals had been decided earlier in the week and of the start of yesterday's programme Lugard had already secured 41 points against Elliot's 18, and Morrison's and Ricci's 15.

Lugard increased their lead in the first event of the afternoon, when Gegg, getting off to a good start in the 100 Yards, won easily from Fenton, with another Lugard in Mazuza third.

Derkach secured another first place for Lugard in the Shot Put, to repeat his success of last year. Gegg, again showing his ability to start well, was an easy winner in the 220.

Probably due to the comparatively heavy state of the track, the time for the Quarter Mile was a bit slow, with winners by about eight yards in 58.6 seconds. One of the few events in which Lugard did not score was the High Jump, which was won by K. M. Au of Morrison, and at the interval the standings of the heats were—Lugard 79; Morrison 33; Elliot 29; Ricci 26.

After tea, Lugard continued to pile on points, Amann showing very promising form in the Pole Vault, which he won after a great struggle with Wong Kok-see.

Mazuza Wins Easily

Mazuza was in a class by himself in the Half Mile. He lay third until the end of the first lap but he then quickened his long, easy stride and secured a big lead which he had no difficulty in maintaining.

By the time the Long Jump had been decided, Lugard's score was over the century and they went on to finish the afternoon with an easy win in the 440 relay, which gave them an additional 10 points. The final standings were:

opponents and found the heavy conditions to their liking. The close-passing of the Chinese had A.S.A. in difficulties from the commencement, and only the sterling display of the A.S.A. defence prevented an easy victory for the Shell team. Loh played extremely well, positioning well to frustrate scoring shots by Man Chi-ki and Tse Tak-kong. He was covered by a strong pair of backs in Verige and Petrove, both of whom cleared their lines with strong kicking. Souza was outstanding, distributing to both wings with long passes which should have brought better results. Of the forwards only Kar-pushev revealed any outstanding ability, and he scored his side's two goals.

Fang Chak, in the Shell goal, though not kept as busy as his opposite number, saved many difficult shots and handled confidently when hard pressed. Liu Woon and L. Woo were strong defenders and completely subdued the A.S.A. inside trio. Ng Kim-hung was not as strong in defence, but he had a perfect understanding with Tse Tak-kong and they often had their close inter-passing.

HOW HE WON CHAMPIONSHIP

Mazuza secured the individual championship through a consistency rather than brilliance. His only first was in the Half Mile; he came second in the Long Jump, Discus Throw and Shot Put, and third in the 100 Yards and 220 Yards, and fourth in the Shot Put. His nearest rivals, Elliot, Morrison, the holders, were fourth.

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Results

Following were the results:—
100 Yards (Lugard); 2. J. C. Fenton (Morrison); 3. E. Mazuza (Lugard); 4. S. H. Liang (Ricci). Time: 10 secs. (equals record).
220 Yards (Lugard); 2. J. C. Fenton (Morrison); 3. E. Mazuza (Lugard); 4. S. H. Liang (Ricci). Time: 22.5 secs. (record).
440 Yards (Lugard); 2. J. C. Fenton (Morrison); 3. E. Mazuza (Lugard); 4. S. H. Liang (Ricci). Time: 1.15.50.
880 Yards (Lugard); 2. J. C. Fenton (Morrison); 3. E. Mazuza (Lugard); 4. S. H. Liang (Ricci). Time: 2.35.00.
1760 Yards (Lugard); 2. J. C. Fenton (Morrison); 3. E. Mazuza (Lugard); 4. S. H. Liang (Ricci). Time: 5.10.00.
3520 Yards (Lugard); 2. J. C. Fenton (Morrison); 3. E. Mazuza (Lugard); 4. S. H. Liang (Ricci). Time: 10.45.00.
7040 Yards (Lugard); 2. J. C. Fenton (Morrison); 3. E. Mazuza (Lugard); 4. S. H. Liang (Ricci). Time: 21.30.00.
14080 Yards (Lugard); 2. J. C. Fenton (Morrison); 3. E. Mazuza (Lugard); 4. S. H. Liang (Ricci). Time: 42.45.00.
28160 Yards (Lugard); 2. J. C. Fenton (Morrison); 3. E. Mazuza (Lugard); 4. S. H. Liang (Ricci). Time: 85.30.00.
56320 Yards (Lugard); 2. J. C. Fenton (Morrison); 3. E. Mazuza (Lugard); 4. S. H. Liang (Ricci). Time: 171.00.00.
112640 Yards (Lugard); 2. J. C. Fenton (Morrison); 3. E. Mazuza (Lugard); 4. S. H. Liang (Ricci). Time: 342.00.00.
225280 Yards (Lugard); 2. J. C. Fenton (Morrison); 3. E. Mazuza (Lugard); 4. S. H. Liang (Ricci). Time: 684.00.00.
450560 Yards (Lugard); 2. J. C. Fenton (Morrison); 3. E. Mazuza (Lugard); 4. S. H. Liang (Ricci). Time: 1368.00.00.
901120 Yards (Lugard); 2. J. C. Fenton (Morrison); 3. E. Mazuza (Lugard); 4. S. H. Liang (Ricci). Time: 2736.00.00.
1802240 Yards (Lugard); 2. J. C. Fenton (Morrison); 3. E. Mazuza (Lugard); 4. S. H. Liang (Ricci). Time: 5472.00.00.
3604480 Yards (Lugard); 2. J. C. Fenton (Morrison); 3. E. Mazuza (Lugard); 4. S. H. Liang (Ricci). Time: 10944.00.00.
7208960 Yards (Lugard); 2. J. C. Fenton (Morrison); 3. E. Mazuza (Lugard); 4. S. H. Liang (Ricci). Time: 21888.00.00.
14417920 Yards (Lugard); 2. J. C. Fenton (Morrison); 3. E. Mazuza (Lugard); 4. S. H. Liang (Ricci). Time: 43776.00.00.
28835840 Yards (Lugard); 2. J. C. Fenton (Morrison); 3. E. Mazuza (Lugard); 4. S. H. Liang (Ricci). Time: 87552.00.00.
57671680 Yards (Lugard); 2. J. C. Fenton (Morrison); 3. E. Mazuza (Lugard); 4. S. H. Liang (Ricci). Time: 175104.00.00.
115343360 Yards (Lugard); 2. J. C. Fenton (Morrison); 3. E. Mazuza (Lugard); 4. S. H. Liang (Ricci). Time: 350208.00.00.
230686720 Yards (Lugard); 2. J. C. Fenton (Morrison); 3. E. Mazuza (Lugard); 4. S. H. Liang (Ricci). Time: 700416.00.00.
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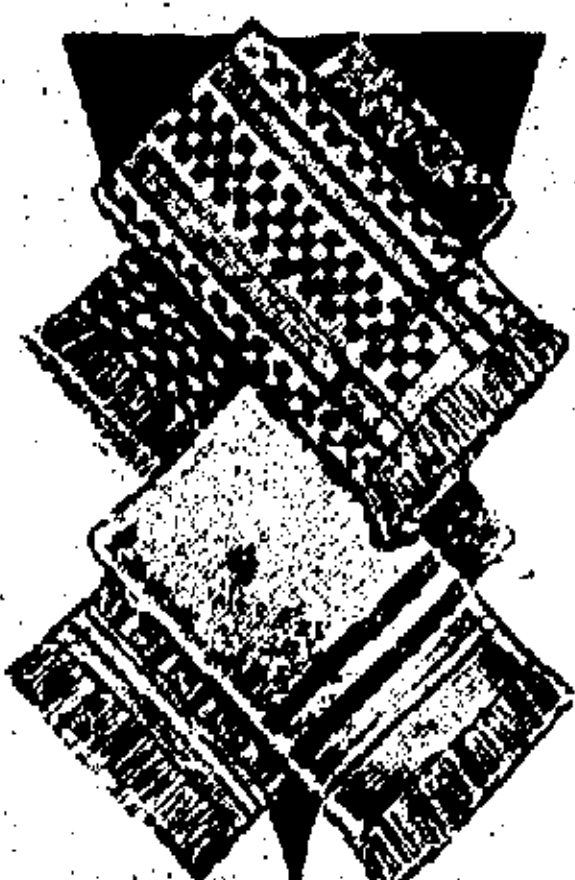
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BLOODBATH IN ALBANIA

Mussolini's Disastrous Efforts To Turn The Scale

FIRST LORD OF ADMIRALTY ON COMING ATTACKS

THE VIEW THAT THIS year must see the launching of a most ruthless attack on Great Britain by a very powerful enemy, was expressed by Mr. A. V. Alexander, First Lord of the Admiralty, speaking at Torquay yesterday.

Mr. Alexander added: "Those attacks will be on land, in the air and upon the sea, and we must steel ourselves to the realisation that these attacks must bring damage, loss and tribulation, but I suggest that this crucial period can be faced with courage and fortitude because of the remaining factors."

GREAT RAIDS

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dern bombers took part in the raid on Hamburg and dropped scores of the heaviest type of high-explosive bombs. In the middle of fires kindled during the previous night's fire-bombing, which were still burning.

MEANWHILE, REPORTS FROM GERMANY AND LONDON INDICATED THAT LAST NIGHT (FRIDAY) THE R.A.F. WAS AGAIN POUNDING WITH ITS MOST POWERFUL BOMBING FLEETS AT OTHER INDUSTRIAL REGIONS IN THE REICH WHILE THE LUFTWAFFE WAS STILL HAMMERING AT LONDON AND OTHER CITIES EARLY THIS (SATURDAY) MORNING.—INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE.

Clyde Again Attacked

LATER, ENEMY ACTIVITY OVER BRITAIN ON FRIDAY NIGHT WAS ON A CONSIDERABLE SCALE, SPREAD OVER MOST PARTS OF THE COUNTRY.

The Clyde area was again attacked but the raid was not as heavy as that of Thursday night. Business premises and houses were damaged and some were killed when a block of flats was hit. Otherwise casualties were not heavy.

A north-east England town was bombed and shops and industrial premises damaged. Fires broke out were brought under control.

Most of the damage was done to houses and casualties were not many. Enemy planes during yesterday morning were reported in the vicinity of an East Anglian town and a South Wales town.—Reuter.

Gelsenkirchen Bombed

MILITARY AND INDUSTRIAL OBJECTIVES AT GELSENKIRCHEN AND DUSSELDORF PROVIDED THE R.A.F. BOMBER COMMAND WITH THEIR MAIN TARGETS ON FRIDAY NIGHT.

It was the third successive night that industrial targets in north-west Germany were attacked.

A very effective raid, though on a smaller scale, was made on oil tanks at Rotterdam. Full details of these attacks are not yet available but the German Radio has admitted that many fires broke out in the towns attacked.

One British bomber is missing from the large force employed.—Reuter.

Incendiary Bombs On Large Scale

The Ruhr was the scene of the R.A.F. Bomber Command's main effort on Friday night, says an R.A.F. communique.

While conditions were not as favorable as recently, excellent results were observed.

A heavy and successful attack was made on the great hydro-generation plant at Gelsenkirchen, where oil is produced from coal. The industrial area of Düsseldorf was attacked and incendiary bombs were used on a large scale.

Elsewhere in the Ruhr factories, communications and other targets were bombed. A very effective though small scale attack was made on Rotterdam.—Reuter.

Most Severe

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD") Described as the most severe yet unleashed, R.A.F. planes, reinforced by long-range American bombers, for the third time in 48 hours dropped deadly missiles of the heaviest calibre upon ship-building yards, docks, warehouses and industrial areas of Hamburg causing terrific devastation.

Bremen, Emden, Rotterdam and Calais were also visited by

Mr. Alexander proceeded to recount British efforts since the collapse of France, and asked who amongst those who were technically qualified to consider the military and strategic situations could have dared prophesy last June that we should be in such a position as we are to-day to meet this intensified attack.

Alluding to the passage of the Lease and Lend Bill and to the large quantities of munitions, planes and guns already received from across the Atlantic, Mr. Alexander said:

Certain Hope

"When one contemplates the magnitude of this contribution, in addition to the powerful aid which is rapidly expanding from the Dominions, I feel certain that our people will be encouraged to face the rigours of the next few months in the certain hope that victory and freedom must be ours."

"NEVER WAS THERE A CAUSE EITHER SO GREAT OR SO URGENT OR FRAUGHT WITH SUCH CONSEQUENCES." — REUTER.

ADVANCE IN ETHIOPIA

Yesterday's Italian

High Command communique claimed that British mechanised troops on the Gosh-Daggabur road were bombed and machine-gunned by Italian aircraft.

It is pointed out in London that this is the first admission by the Italians of the swift British advance into Abyssinia from the south-east along this road.

The capture of Daggabur was officially announced in a Cairo communique last Thursday.

R.A.F. activity at Keren and in another locality in Eritrea is admitted in the Italian communique.—Reuter.

The operations by Abyssinian patriots are continuing to develop successfully, states yesterday's G.H.Q. communique in Cairo.

8 ITALIAN PLANES SHOT DOWN

Eight Italian planes were shot down by a small formation of R.A.F. fighters on Friday, states a communique from the British Headquarters in Greece.

This formation encountered a large number of Italian bombers escorted by fighters.

Other Italian planes were so severely damaged that they are unlikely to be able to return to their bases.

Two R.A.F. planes are missing but the pilots are safe, bailing out by parachute.—Reuter.

The R.A.F. and fires were seen from miles away.—International News Service.

Berlin Report

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD") Berlin radio reported that 50 people were killed and buried alive when two hospitals were hit and, it was stated, that no damage was done to military objectives. International News Service.

ADMIRAL NOBLE TO FIGHT THE U-BOATS

If has been officially announced in London in connection with plans for meeting the threat of intensified U-boat campaigns, that Admiral Sir Percy Noble, former Commander-in-Chief of the China Station, has been appointed Commander-in-Chief of the Western Approaches.—Reuter.

SHANGHAI APPEAL TO BRITAIN

The "China Press" learns that the Shanghai Power Company has appealed to the British Ministry of Shipping in London to solve the Shanghai fuel crisis by releasing a number of British ships that have been requisitioned for war uses, states a message from Shanghai.

A high official of the Company is reported to have stated that eight ships could end the power curtailment in Shanghai by resuming shipments of coal from India.

The same official, according to the "China Press," declared that the solution of the crisis now rests in the hands of the British Government and the Japanese Government which, since 1937, has shown no inclination to aid in the import of coal from North China.—(Reuter).

POPE NOW RATIONED

The Pope is now rationed, according to a Vatican message to the Vichy news agency yesterday.

Beginning on Friday all 720 inhabitants of Vatican City, including the Pope and 23 Cardinals, were placed on a restricted diet for the first time since the war.

Portion cards were distributed, allocating three and a quarter ounces of meat and 10 1/2 ounces of bread daily. Three and a half ounces of butter are allowed weekly and 17 1/2 ounces of sugar monthly.

A high Prelate stated that His Holiness insisted on being placed on the same ration as everyone else in Vatican City.—Reuter.

RUSSIAN YOUTH IN BAD SMASH

AS A RESULT OF A HEAD-ON COLLISION BETWEEN A MOTOR-CYCLE AND A LORRY IN POKFULAM ROAD YESTERDAY AFTERNOON, A RUSSIAN YOUTH, VICTOR NOVIKOFF, WAS ADMITTED IN A SERIOUS CONDITION TO THE QUEEN MARY HOSPITAL.

At 12 mid-night, the youth was still unconscious.

The young man was riding in Pokfulam Road when the collision occurred, with a Dairy Farm motor-truck, the youth being thrown heavily.

The cycle was badly twisted and damaged.

DEATH

CAMMIADE.—At her residence at No. 128 Austin Road on Saturday, 15th March, 1941, Marie Josephine Cammiade, aged 35, Funeral arrangements will be announced later. (Shanghai papers please copy.)

IN MEMORIAM

In ever loving memory of John Herber (Bobbie) Roberts, who passed away on 16th March, 1940.

One Battalion After Another Wiped Out; 15,000 Killed!

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

MUSSOLINI IS CONTINUING DESPERATE ATTACKS IN ATTEMPTS TO WREST THE INITIATIVE IN ALBANIA FROM THE GREEKS, THROWING BATTALION AFTER BATTALION INTO A BLOODBATH WHICH IS ACHIEVING NOTHING.

Reliable Albanian sources, according to messages reaching New York, state that the Italian Premier is fanatical in his rejection of German intervention until the Italians have gained a decisive victory.

They say that Mussolini will only consider German "mediation" after Italy has regained military prestige by driving the Greeks from Albanian soil.

Nothing in the latest developments show that he has reason for high hope.

All reports from Athens speak of a tremendous slaughter on the central and southern fronts where reinforcements freshly arrived in Albania have been rushed into a new large-scale offensive.

WHOLE BATTALIONS HAVE BEEN WIPE OUT, ONE AFTER THE OTHER, AND AT NO POINT HAVE THE ITALIANS, WHOSE TACTICS HAVE BEEN REDUCED TO THOSE OF ATTEMPTING TO CARRY THE GREEK POSITIONS BY STORM, SUCCEEDED IN DISLODGING THE GREEKS FROM ANY OF THE STRATEGIC POSITIONS GAINED IN RECENT FIGHTING.

On the contrary, taking advantage of the opportunity created by confusion in the Italian ranks, they have at several points gained new ground in swift counter-offensives of a local nature.—International News Service.

Fierce Attacks

In spite of their recent bitter repulse the Italians on Friday returned fiercely to the attack in Albania but with little success. The latest Greek G.H.Q. communique states: "The enemy launched to-day a series of violent attacks upon the whole front after violent artillery preparation accompanied by numerous planes which followed the firing with a bombardment."

Sorry Tale

"The attack met with no success and enemy losses were considerable and unexpected. In counter-attacks we captured a number of prisoners."

Mussolini, therefore, who was reported to be returning to Rome from Albania yesterday, will have a sorry tale to tell the Fascist Grand Council—a tale of disastrous failure and wholesale slaughter of legions which were recently reinforced by fresh troops from Italy.

15,000 Dead

A conservative estimate of the Greek losses during the five days of the desperate offensive is 15,000 dead.

Five whole divisions, states the Greek press ministry, have

been completely disorganised, half the men being put out of action.

"According to latest news the battle is raging on fronts of 17 miles. The Italians are repeatedly and violently attacking. Italian attacks on Thursday are described as 'without precedent'."—British Wireless.

COMPROMISE POSSIBLE?

The Indian All-Party Conference demand in connection with the political deadlock was described in the Indian press yesterday as moderate and worthy of consideration.

The Maharaja of Burdwan's statement before the conference, that "we want to participate in the victory but on equal terms and we shan't go to the peace conference on any other basis," is commented on as appropriate.—Reuter.

DIGNITY AS NATION URGED ON JAPAN

URGING THE Japanese people "to display dignity as a great nation by refraining from fretfulness and excitement, even when faced with a life or death crisis," the Nationalist paper "Kokumin" yesterday proposed the compilation of "a bible on the European and Asiatic new orders to contribute to reconsideration by the American people of their present attitude."

The paper adds that should there be the slightest sign of goodwill in America to readjust Japan-American relations, it goes without saying that "we should not begrudge efforts to explain the purposes of the tripartite pact."

It says that unless Washington discards its prejudices there is no hope of a clarification of the situation, regardless of how many times the Japanese Ambassador, Admiral Nomura, meets President Roosevelt.—Reuter.

STUDY OF NEW TAXES

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD") THE FIRST MEETING OF THE RECONSTITUTED WAR TAXATION COMMITTEE HAS BEEN HELD, AND A FURTHER MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR SOMETIME THIS WEEK, THE "SUNDAY HERALD" UNDERSTANDS.

According to the terms of reference disclosed at the first meeting, Government is recommending increases in the rates of the four taxes—Salary Tax, Business Profits Tax, Corporation Profits Tax and the Property Tax.

The Committee has also been instructed to study and advise government on other sources of income which can be taxed to yield additional revenue.

SOVIET AID TO REICH

The movement of freight from Russia to Germany will be expedited considerably by nine re-loading, and switching points on the frontier, states a Department of Commerce report, according to a message from Washington.

Previously, there had been only five such points on the frontier between German and Russian occupied territory.—Reuter.

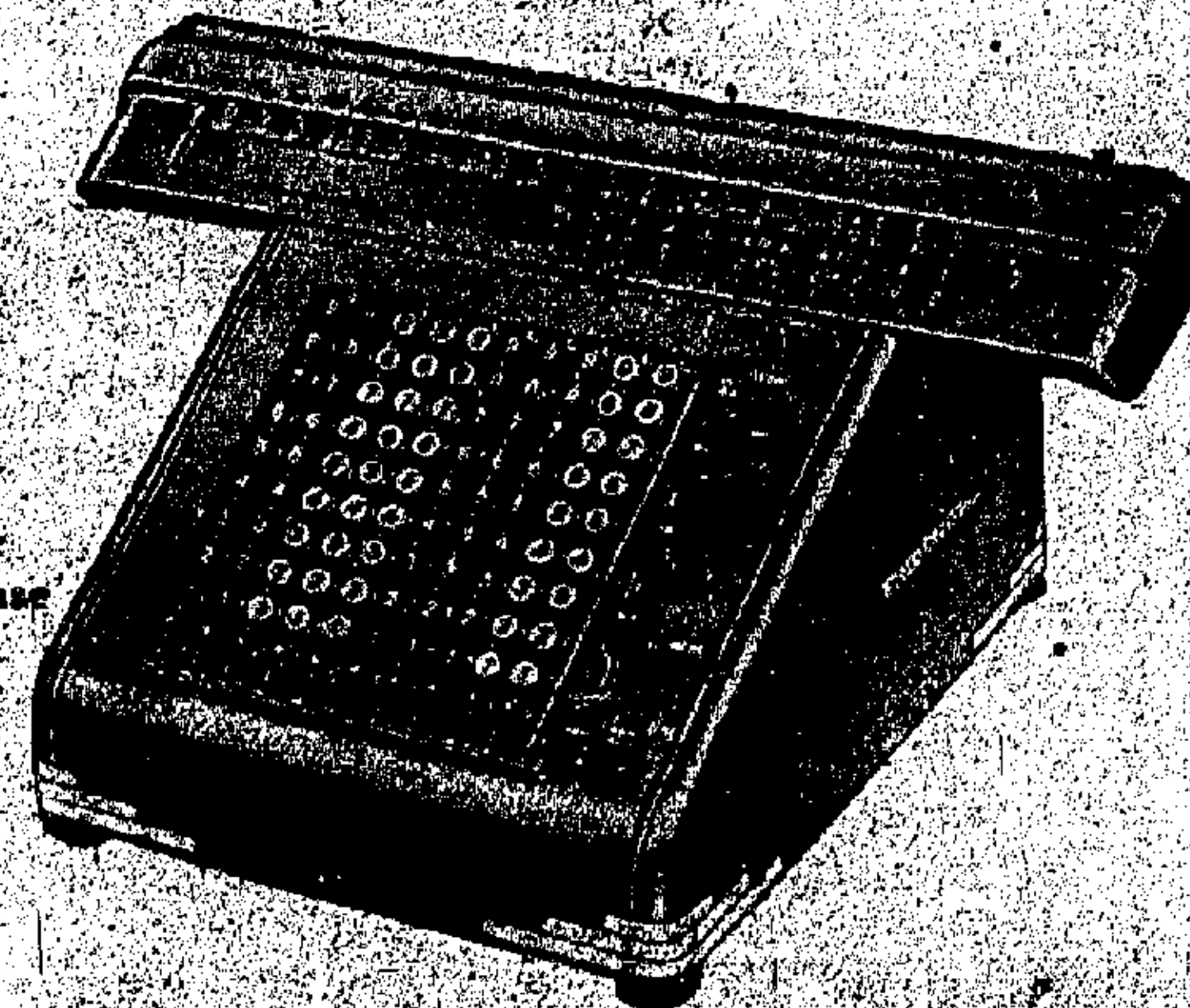
STOP PRESS

Ankara radio stated last night that the position in Yugoslavia is still undecided and undefined.

The announcer said German propaganda is now concentrating on Mr. Matsukata's visit to Berlin, and tries to give the impression that Yugoslavia has been relegated to the background.

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The triumphant Club "A" seven with the Blarney Stone Shield they so deservedly won last Saturday. From left to right, standing, are: R. E. Heasman, D. H. Stewart, A. J. G. Taylor (Club's captain but who captained Civil Service in this tournament), J. M. Thomson, C. F. Needham. Seated—H. D. Bidwell, A. F. Walkden, who has captained four successful Club sevens, and H. van Leeuwen. Of the above Heasman, Thomson, Needham, Bidwell and Walkden were members of last year's winning Club seven.



Seen in this group during the Royal Engineers v Royal Scots match are Pictou, Pinkerton, Patterson, hands in the air, Millar, bending down, and Stephenson. Sappers won this game by 9-0.



Pictou takes a low pass with Sutherland almost on him. At left is Patterson (Royal Scots) and at right Foley (Royal Engineers).



Macrae places the ball for an attempted conversion of a try during the game between B. & S. and Middlesex "B", which the former won by nine clear points. Hutchison is lying down holding the ball.

Needham, backed up by Heasman, extreme left, breaks away from a scrum, during the Final between Club "A" and 8th Heavy Regiment "A", which Club won 21-0. Others in this picture are Turner, McDermott, Cook, Walkden, Thomson and Hook.

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Do Other Women Like You?

THERE are thousands of lonely women who seem to have everything which should contribute to a full and happy life. Most of them are attractive. Many have married well and have married for love. All of them have mastered early in life the techniques which make them appealing to men. Yet they lead almost solitary lives because of the lack of a technique they never thought worth bothering about. They do not know how to attract members of their own sex and hold them as friends.

You know the type. There's Marcia, for instance. You see her at the bridge club and at dinner parties, but never in the shopping fairs or the after-marketing gatherings at the corner drug-store. If she drops in at Kate's on an afternoon when Kate is helping Mary with her new skirt and you're showing Alice a grand afghan stitch, a curious restraint falls over the group. It isn't Marcia's fault exactly. She simply doesn't fit, and the easy feminine intimacy is gone.

Marcia says it's because other women are jealous of her. "The silly cats," she told me at tea the other day. "They're probably afraid I'll steal their stodgy husbands. Not that I care about their hen parties. I loathe them." True, Marcia was a glamour girl a few years ago, but so were Kate and Mary and Alice. Unlike Marcia, however, these girls, in that mad pre-alar rush, did not sacrifice their friends of a lifetime. They knew—instinctively, perhaps—that for a happy, normal life they needed more than any man could give them. They have always been well-adjusted individuals who realise that no family unit can cut itself off from society and preserve its well-being.

Underneath her careless pose, Marcia knows all this now and is a little frightened. At tea she overheard a remark at her tense face, her brittle chatter, her evident desire to keep me from going. I had not seen her for three years. Then I had known her only casually as the lovely girl who had come to Miffie's as John's old bride. She had not been very friendly then. I can still remember how gauche and uninteresting she had made the women feel by her soft chatter directed always to the men in the group.

But now Marcia is lonely. Men, she has discovered, must be at the office all day, and even her husband, who is perfect, has an irritating lack of interest in things which are vital to her as a woman. He can't see the importance of matching the drapery material carefully. He is inarticulate and frightened at the prospect of their first baby. Marcia wants friends. She needs them. Of course, it isn't too late for

You are known by the company you keep. A fair share of friends among the women in your town is an open sesame to a full social life.

Marcia and those like Marcia to make friends, and, what is more important, to become friends themselves. The same technique which made Marcia the darling of the sag line will help her—but it must be used with a difference. She will find that the relations between woman and woman require much more subtlety than the relations between woman and man.

Here are ten fundamental rules for making friends and holding them. They will help to smooth the way for anyone in Marcia's plight.

1. Be able to share the interests of the women you know. Women are much more universal in their interests than men, much slower to specialise. But put special emphasis on that word share.

2. Listen well. The wide-eyed stare may pass for intense concentration with John, but Mary will know that your mind is

By A. E. Quigley

really on your new white outfit. Furthermore, she wants participation in the form of intelligent questions and suggestions.

3. Compliment your friends sincerely. Flattery never works with women. Don't say, "You're just heavenly in blue, dear," but, "Blue is always good on you, Kate." Kate will know that you have noticed what she has worn in the past. Your remark will show real interest. Compliment Kate to others, and pass on the compliments you have heard. A relayed compliment is particularly welcome.

4. Be loyal. Loyalty to friends is not the rare quality among women that common opinion would have you believe. Worth-while women are loyal to their friends and they demand loyalty in return.

5. Never descend to malicious gossip but—don't be above gossip. You know, and I know, that there is gossip and gossip. There is the evil tale-bearing which brings hurt and confusion—and there is the new observation upon the life of others which spices the day for all of us.

6. Appreciate your friend's possessions without envy. This applies equally to Mary's new hat, her husband, and her baby. Your appreciation, freely expressed, deepens their worth for her. Your envy shakes her pride in them because you will undoubtedly give it vent by trying to minimise what is hers. Above all, never dawn with faint praise. Your "Well, such a good provider," implies that Will is lacking in other qualities.

7. Don't be too helpful. If your two sets will make your neighbor's party a complete success, offer it to her—but be sure to ask a favour in return. Too much helpfulness on your part lessens her self-respect, and shurs the ability of her male.

If deep sorrow or even disgrace should come to your friend, be wary that your sympathy is not tainted with morbid curiosity and the very human desire to be at the centre of things. Do everything you can to help, but make the boys of friendship find it hard to court those who have. Then, too, women do not forget easily—and the Marcias have often left a trail of injuries in their wake. When, however, Mary and Kate other time. No woman likes to remember that she broke down against life once broke down

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A beautiful street outfit is the softly tailored suit of vermilion wool worn by Lorena Young in Columbia's "He Stayed For Breakfast." The skirt is slim—only slightly circular. The jacket is distinguished for its side tie sash and drapery. Stitching is used to emphasise the interesting yoke and shoulder line. The unusual handling of the collar line reveals a small portion of the black and white polka dot crepe blouse.

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Don't take your Western thrillers too lightly. The colourful costumes in which these abound are enjoying their own influence on Hollywood fashion, notably in such sport accessories as wide nail-studded belts, bright silk kerchiefs and numerous lapel ornaments of western origin. The girls are even discarding their time-honoured galoshes in favour of cowboy boots.

You will find Universal's forthcoming serial "Riders of Death Valley" an excellent source of inspiration if you feel the urge toward the airy spaces arising within you.

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A BED-TIME STORY FOR CHILDREN:—SHAKING HORNS

By Howard R. Garis



RANGI stopped running through the snowy woods. He had run fast and far after something very strange had happened. Nothing like it had ever before surprised and frightened Rang.

For Rang was frightened. There was something clinging to his beautiful horns—something he could not see but which he could feel. "I must get rid of it!" thought Rang. "It isn't that it hurts me, but it is very mysterious. I don't know what it is. But it must be some magic put upon me by one of those animal boys I saw playing in the woods near the Hollow Tree School. The magic stuck to my horns. I must try to shake it off!"

PROUD Then Rang, the big caribou, shook his horns as hard as he could. His horns were like the branches of a small tree. They spread back from his head, high into the air. The horns of Rang were so far back that he could not see all of them, twist and turn his bright eyes as he did.

Rang, the big caribou, was proud of his horns. He had watched part of them grow. For his horns, after curving backward again curved forward. And the forward part of his horns Rang could see very well. He had two sets of horns on, rather, there were two branches to each horn.

One branch grew almost straight out from Rang's head in front of his eyes. These branches of his horns, with their sharp points or prongs and the broad palm parts,

Rangi could see very well. "But I cannot see all of the high, towering branches of the larger part of my horns," said Rang, the big caribou. "And it is there the mysterious thing is fast. What is it? Why can't I shake it off?"

Once more Rang twisted his head and turned his head. He tossed his head up and down. But still that strange thing clung to his horns. Or, rather, just to one horn, the horn on his right side. "I must get rid of it!" thought Rang. "I cannot go on roaming the woods, looking for moss, and twigs to eat, and have this thing on my horn bothering me. It makes me nervous and jumpy. I cannot think well, nor sleep well, nor smell well. And I must do all three to be safe from the wolf."

STICKS FAST "I wonder what it was that stuck to my horn soon after I had peered out from the bushes at those animal boys playing some game? I wonder what it was? I must find out!"

So Rang, the big caribou, shook his horns harder than before. But still the Winter cap of Sammie Little lived in the hollow stump bungalow. And almost as soon as he was there, this something (which Rang did not know was Sammie's cap) had fallen upon one horn. It was now so caught and twisted around the prongs of the horns that Rang could not shake it off.

"I know what I will do," said the caribou after a while. "I will rub my horns against a tree. That may rid me of the magic."

Rang, the big caribou, a sort of deer, you like that hollow stump bungalow for a tree against which he might rub his horns.

"Ah, here is a big tree that will do," thought Rang. He gave his horns a fast, hard shake and then, all of a sudden he heard animal voices talking in the forest.

And if the maple sugar tree doesn't try to stretch out in the old flower bed instead of going to sleep standing up as it should. I'll tell you next about wolf—wolf.

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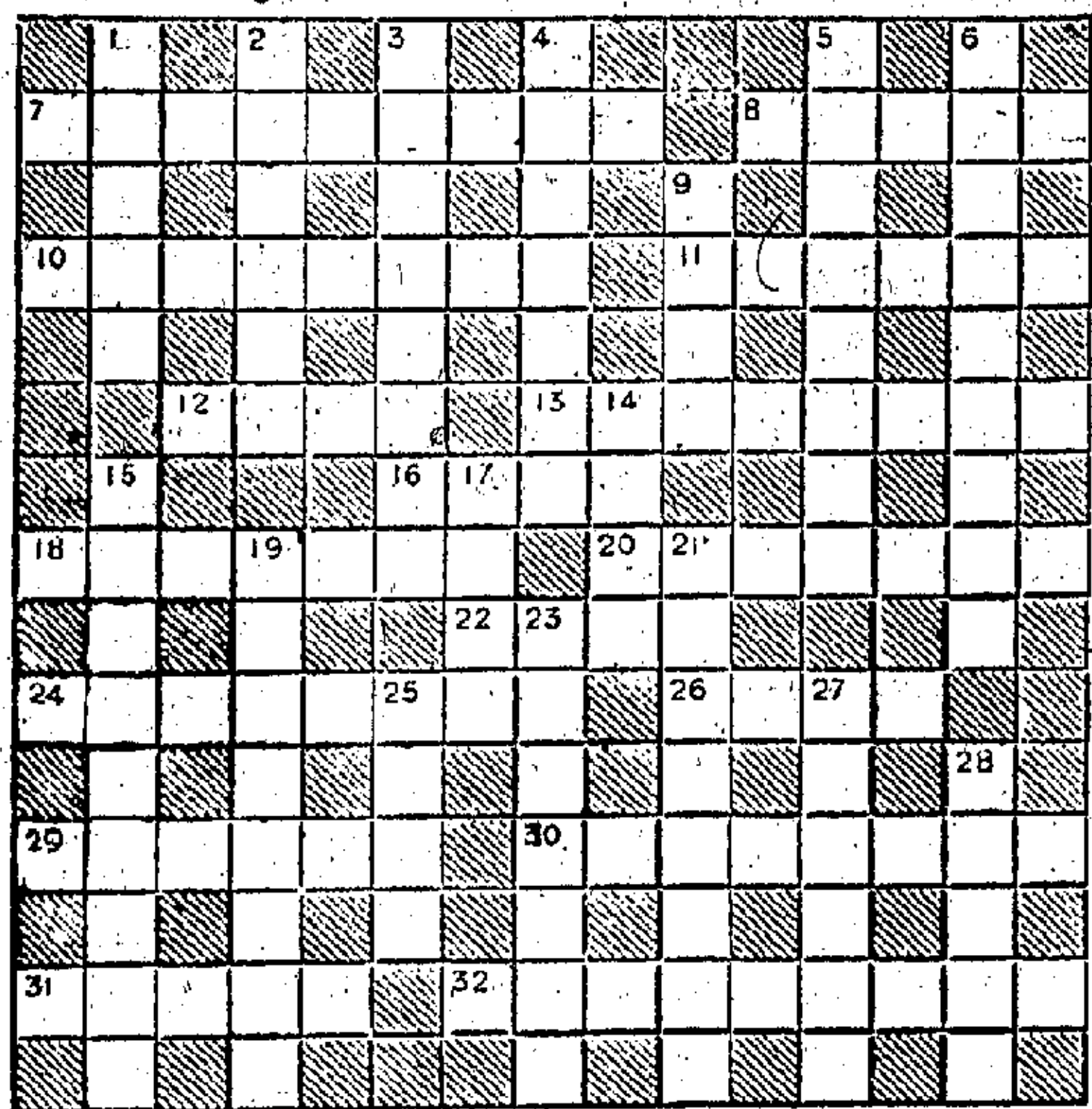
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Sunday Cross-Word Puzzle



ACROSS

- 7 Not royal yacht but preliminary to engagement (9).
 8 Huge number of rufous (5).
 10 "She turns, on hospitable — inter" (Milton) (8).
 11 Gone bad (6).
 12 Paid to eat (4).
 13 Exercise of your will (6).
 14 This will not strike you as odd (4).
 15 Comfort found in the organ (7).
 16 "We left our — for our —'s god" (Barrington) (7).
 17 Shout or lode (4).
 18 This belongs to somebody (8).
 19 Noises that spirited horses make (6).
 20 In ledger (anagram) (8).
 21 It was not at a concert that "they kept the nuisance — of their way" (Gray) (5).
 22 Of primary importance (9).

DOWN

- 1 One kind of coffee (5).
 2 Does the bird grumble (6).
 3 Flower of Elysian fields (8).
 4 Young lady, I've a letter for you (7).
 5 Reputation on town in Devon (8).
 6 Not cheap food but seen on side of ship (4-5).

- 9 Lytton said there was no such word in the lexicon of youth (4).
 14 Not repeated in concessions (4).
 15 "I take my little — And eat my supper there" (Wordsworth) (8).
 17 Heraldic colour (4).
 19 "The lake of higher position" (8).
 21 He has broken some law (8).
 23 Look at whip to find it on face (7).
 25 A sort of biscuit (4).
 27 Quite enough, thanks! (6).
 28 Daughter of tragic king (5).

SOLUTION TO LAST SUNDAY'S CROSSWORD

ACROSS
 7. PRELIMINARY
 8. MYRIAD
 10. INTERLUDE
 11. BAD
 12. TREAT
 13. WILL
 14. ODD
 15. ORGAN
 16. GODS
 17. SHOUT
 18. NUISANCE
 19. NEIGH
 20. ENTRY
 21. LAW
 23. WHIP
 25. BISCUIT
 27. THANKS
 28. KING
 DOWN
 1. COFFEE
 2. GRUMBLES
 3. ELYSIAN
 4. LADY
 5. REPUTATION
 6. CHEAP

The Evil Genius Of France

LAVAL has often been labelled the greatest opportunist of our times: and not with injustice, for the secret of Laval's success lies in his utter lack of principle. He has never known moral scruples and he does not hesitate to switch his allegiance from day to day.

Pierre Laval looks back on a political career of more than 26 years. Twice he has been prime minister of France, and recently, at the age of 57, he has again emerged to continue his role as the evil genius of the French nation.

He began his political career as a socialist. This seems to be a traditional beginning for French politicians, for even such staunch conservatives as Clemenceau, Millerand, Briand and scores of others made their debut in the socialist field. In 1914, shortly before the outbreak of the war, the workers of Paris elected Laval their representative in the Chamber of Deputies. Until 1921 he led an obscure existence, unable to advance in spite of an all-consuming ambition to reach top.

His ascent began when he severed his connections with the Socialist Party and established himself as an "Independent." From then on Laval was a figure to be reckoned with. He formed valuable connections with the "Right" and from 1925 he was a member of several governments, occupying



A scene from "The Great Dictator," in which Charlie Chaplin as the Fuhrer is seen in one of his more serious moods. Henry Daniell and Jack Oakie are with him. This new Chaplin production is now in its second week at the Lee Theatre.

various positions as Minister of Public Works, Minister of Justice, Minister of Labour; at last in 1934 he became Premier and Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Doumergue Government.

During the Popular Front Government Laval disappeared from

the public scene to emerge again when France lay prostrate before Hitler's war machine, ready to resume where he had left off in 1936. He advanced rapidly: from unofficial adviser to Petain he became Vice-President of the Council and successor-designate to the head of the State. And despite his recent removal from that post, political observers feel that Laval will again be able to wriggle his way to the top at a not too distant future.

For Laval, the irrepressible schemer, has no fundamental convictions, no basic principles to guide him; he is an opportunist. In the past, he has in turn attempted a Franco-German rapprochement, laid the foundations for a Franco-Soviet Entente, supported Mussolini's attack on Ethiopia, and more recently, after the defeat of France, he endeavored to line up the "Latin Sisters," Italy and Spain, against

Germany. But the Latin Sisters were not very responsive, and Laval soon decided to make his way to Abetz, the former German agent, and thence to Hitler.

Throughout his checkered career Laval has remained consistent on only one point: his all-consuming hatred of the British. The reasons for this hatred have never been explained. As Barthou's successor, he immediately embarked upon an anti-British course. While Barthou was attempting to reorganise the bloc of French satellites against the menace of Nazi Germany, Laval concentrated all his efforts toward creating a continental bloc against England and the British League of Nations policy.

Laval has many political opponents but only one dangerous enemy. His opponents are recruited from the masses of the Left who have experienced his ruthlessness and despise his opportunism. But his irreconcilable enemy is Georges Mandel. Mandel is to-day in a Viétry prison awaiting trial on a charge of high treason. Yet long ago, Mandel took the precaution of collecting every scrap of incriminating evidence against Laval, and if Mandel has been shown unusual consideration, it is because his dossier on Laval, safely deposited abroad, is held as a threat over the head of the master intriguer of France.

Setting A Precedent

Once upon a time a king, desirous of going on a hunt, consulted the court astrologer, as was the custom, to learn what kind of weather might be expected. The seer assured him that the day would be fine and the hunt successful.

In high spirits the king and his followers sallied forth to hunt. On the road they met a peasant riding an ass, and the king hailed him cheerily. "This is going to be a fine day, my good fellow." The peasant doffed his cap and bowed low. "I humbly beg your majesty's pardon," the peasant said, "but, on the contrary, it will rain before evening."

And he did so — thereby setting a precedent that has been followed ever since by the process of despatching asses to fill positions of authority and trust.

— The Cactus Blossom, Arizona.

JEST-A-MINUTE

THE WISE GIRL

It's a wise girl who "no's" what she really wants.

NOT ANY LONGER

"Do you still wake up with a groan?"

CALLING ALL WIVES

If wives only knew what stenographers think of their husbands, they would quit worrying.

SUGGESTIVE

"After all, Lady Harriet, we were all young once."

SNUBBED

Dear Old Lady: "Little boy, does your mother know that you smoke?"

NO LEAN-AGE

Woman (prospective buyer of dog): "My good man, does this dog possess a family tree?"

NOT IN THE BARCAIN

He: "What! Another new dress. Where do you think I shall find the money to pay for it?"

DATES GALORE

A comely coloured girl had just been baptised in the river. As she came to the surface she cried, "Bless de Lawd, I've saved! Last night I was in de arms of Satan, but to-night Ah'm in de arms of de Lawd!"

STENOGRAPHICAL ERROR

The Department of Taxation received a typed income tax return from a bachelor who listed one dependent son. The examiner returned the blank with a pencilled notation: "This must be a stenographical error." Presently the blank came back with the added pencil notation: "You're telling me."

THE REASON WHY

It seems that near the end of the fortieth day the Ark hit against the protruding top of an electric light pole, which poked a hole in the bow. Noah sent his pet dog down and the dog, to stop the leak, poked his nose in the hole, which is the reason that dogs' noses are always cold. But the dog soon became tired, so Mrs. Noah went down and put her foot in the hole, which is the reason women always have cold feet.

NO INCREASE

A traveller was questioning Rastus about his home town. "How many people live in this town?" he wanted to know.

THE REASON WHY

"About four thousand people," said it's been that way for forty years.

THE REASON WHY

"You mean to tell me that there were four thousand people here forty years ago, and only four thousand now? Haven't any people moved in — any babies been born here?"

THE REASON WHY

"Yes, suh, babies been born, but every time a baby is born somebody leaves town."



"Well, if a man's got t' be vaccinated, do it where it won't show." — The Bulletin, Australia.

A man wandered into a tennis tournament and sat down on the bench. "Where game?" he asked. A shy young thing sitting next to him looked up hopefully. "I am," she replied.

FATHER: "Lucille, it disappoints me to see you smoking. You're no daughter of mine."

Lucille: "Cheer up, Dad. I won't tell a soul."

NO BUSINESS OF HIS

Liza: "Ah wants a pair o' shoes for mah little gal."

Salesman: "Black kid?"

Liza: "You jus' mind yo' own business an' git me dem shoes."

SOME TRICK

The one-ring circus was visiting a town in the hills. The folks there recognised all the instruments of the band except the slide trombone. One old settler watched the player for quite some time, then, turning to his son, said, "Don't let on that you're watching him. There's a trick to it; he ain't really swallerin' it."

NOT COMPULSORY

An aged couple entered a Sydney hotel during the Sequi-Centenary Celebrations to make reservations for a room.

Clerk: "Good folks, but all I have left is the bridal suite."

Old Man: "What the heck do I want with the bridal suite, we've been married 45 years."

Clerk: "Well, if I gave you the bathroom you wouldn't have to dance, would you?"

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CONTRACT BRIDGE

By
 Ely Culbertson

THERE is an old bridge adage (and a good one) that the first consideration of a defender should be to defeat the contract; one trick and then try to slaughter it. Excellent as this advice is, however, it is a curious fact that in some cases it is just as logical to play for a two-trick defeat as it is to look for the setting trick. Such a case was the following, taken from a recent duplicate match:

West, dealer.

East-West vulnerable.

NORTH

S-A 10 5
 H-10 10
 D-Q 10 9
 C-0 4 3 2

WEST

S-K 6
 H-A 9 8 7
 D-8 4
 C-A Q J 10 6

EAST

S-Q 8 4 3
 H-3 2
 D-K J 6 5 2
 C-K 8

SOUTH

S-10 7 2
 H-K Q 5 4 3
 D-A 7 3
 C-5

The bidding:

West North East South
 1 club Pass 1 diamond
 2 no-trump Pass 2 hearts
 Double Pass Pass

East had something to think about when his partner bid a no-trump over South's heart. His hand was right on the line between a pass and a raise to two no-trump, hence the fact that he chose the conservative course cannot be criticised. South, not vulnerable against vulnerable opponents, and playing at match-point scoring, was loathe to quit the auction and surrender to a mere one-no-trump. This explains his neck-stretching bid of two hearts. West's penalty double, although close, was logical. West sensed that South was "pushing," as indeed he was, and, naturally enough, West did not dream that

North would show up with two heart honours and the A-J of spades over his own king.

West opened his top diamond. Dummy ducked and East's Jack was taken with the ace. A low heart was led toward dummy. West ducked on the bare possibility that East might have a high heart honour. The heart ten holding the Jack was returned, and now West took his ace. A second diamond lead went to East's king, and a diamond return gave West a ruff. Now, although East had deliberately returned his lowest diamond, the deuce, as a signal that he could be put back on lead with the lowest suit, clubs, West decided that two club tricks (the limit to be hoped for) could not be expected. The only chance was to find the spade queen in East's hand. If declarer had the spade queen it would do no good to collect two club tricks because, even if East returned another diamond, declarer could ruff high, draw West's last trump, and lead a low spade toward dummy, finishing against the king. The spade ace would drop the king and declarer's spade queen would be the fulfilling trick. Thus, since successful defence depended on East's holding the spade queen, West saw no reason to play for a one-trick set, and instead planned his play for a two-trick defeat. He laid down the spade king. Dummy's ace won, but now there was no way for declarer to re-enter his own hand and draw West's trump. He attempted to do so by leading a low spade from dummy, but East hopped up with the queen and played a third round of clubs. West got, in his last trump, on a ruff, and then led two rounds of clubs. Obviously, if West had cashed two club tricks before leading the spade king declarer would have saved a trick and 200 points.

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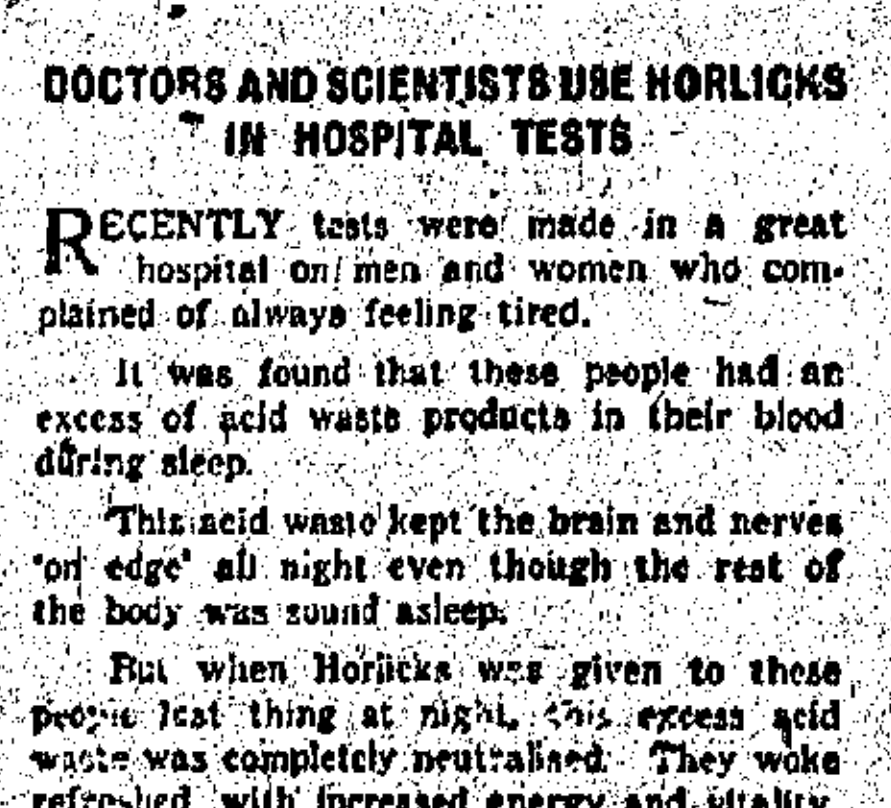
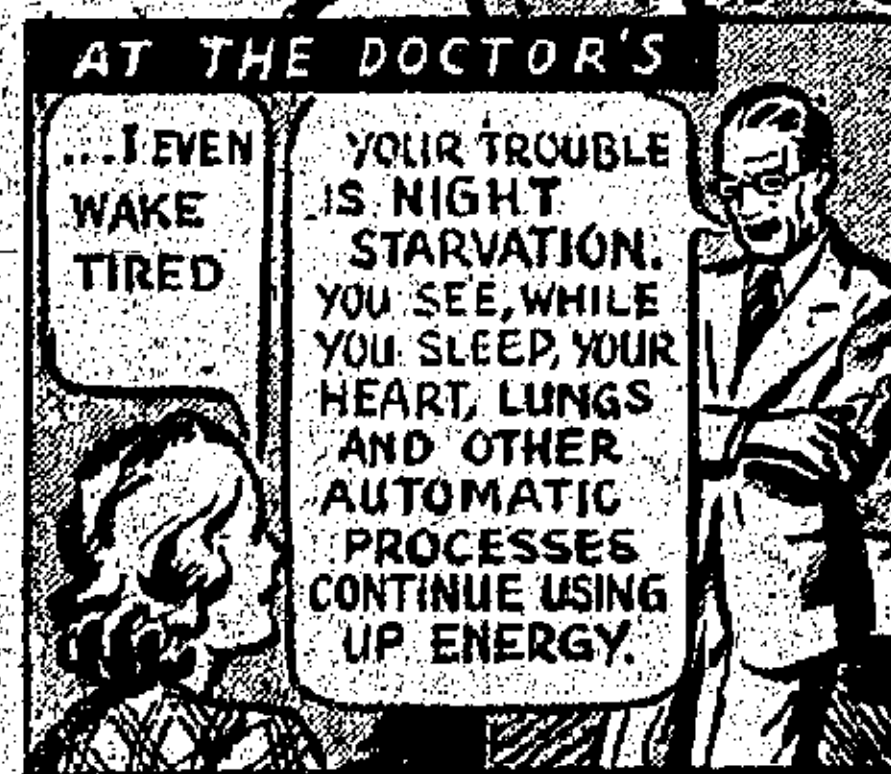
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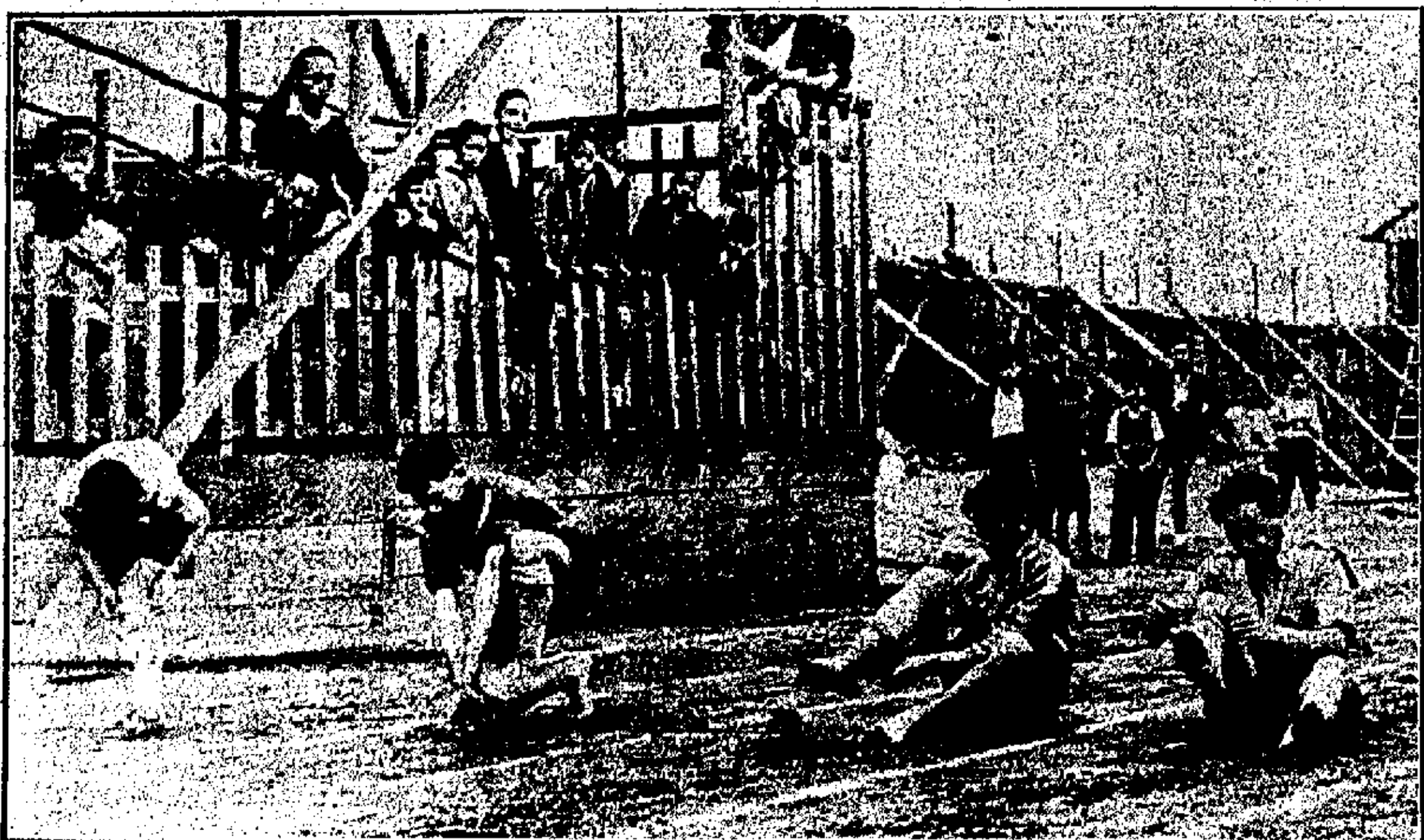
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This photograph shows the finish of the senior 200 metres race in which Ng Yin-fan was first, and A. V. Franco second. The winner was clocked at 26 3/5 secs.



Boy Scouts' Race in progress. The event was won by Ip Wing-kin, with Tsang Shiu-kin second and J. Anderson third.



They fly through the air in the senior 110 metres high hurdles. D. Young was the winner, with Cheung Chiu-hung second.



La Salle College, winners of the Boys' 1,200 metres invitation relay. Their time was 2:48 1/5 secs.



(At left)—The French Convent team, winners of the Girls' 400 metres invitation relay.

St. Joseph's Sports

Good running was witnessed in the 25th annual athletic meeting of St. Joseph's College which was held at Caroline Hill last Thursday week. Although no outstanding talent was noticed among the seniors, J. Bucks established two new records in the junior 800 and 1,500 metres events.



S. Silva jumping 17 ft. to win the senior long jump.



International Women's Day was celebrated by more than a thousand school girls and representatives of Chinese women's organisations in Hong Kong at the stadium of the South China Athletic Association, Caroline Hill, last Saturday. Dr. Irene Tseng is shown above addressing the gathering. Miss Ho Yu-ying, past President of the Chinese Y.W.C.A., who presided, may be seen second from right.

A.D.C. TO PRESENT A.A. MILNE'S "SARAH SIMPLE"

The Bomber Fund and B.W.O.F. will further benefit by the A.D.C.'s forthcoming presentation of A. A. Milne's brilliant comedy "Sarah Simple", which will commence at the China Fleet Club on March 19.



William Bendish (Claude Burgess) announces: "It was all for your sake." Marianne Bell-Mason (Day Sage) is the woman accused, and a witness to the scene is Sarah Bendish (Shellah Mackinlay).



"Now take poisons." Soup is served to Sarah (Shellah Mackinlay) and William (Claude Burgess) by Charles, the waiter, (William Kirby).



"My beautiful." Touching reconciliation follows William's misadventure, from which Sarah extricates him. Charles is an embarrassed witness to the embrace.

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"I think I'll lie right down," says Amyas Bendish (Tim Fortescue) and Alfrida Bendish (Joan Crichton) rallies round.